



## LOCH LOMOND VILLA, INC.

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Date: April 6th, 2021  
To: Families and Residents  
From: Cindy Donovan, CEO  
Re.: COVID Update

Public Health shared last week revisions to pet visitation in nursing homes. Dated March 25<sup>th</sup>: ***Pets must be dedicated to one facility. All Public Health (PH) measures will apply to the individual accompanying the pet (including but not limited to screening, mandatory masking, hand hygiene, physical distancing). Only asymptomatic residents and those who are not on isolation precautions will be permitted to have pet visitation. Any pet visitation must follow all existing facility specific policy.*** This was great news for Loch Lomond Villa. This past week we welcomed back our pet therapy dogs, Clancy, Fergie and Charlie which resulted in big smiles from many residents. As per Loch Lomond Villa pet policy, all pets must be registered through our Recreation Department and provide proof of necessary vaccinations.

As the weather warms, Loch Lomond Villa will begin returning some of our very special programs for our residents. Our residents and ECPs will once again be able to enjoy the fresh air outdoors when our 2 trishaws hit the road for our Cycling without Age Program. Our Music Therapist will be returning soon to provide a variety of music through many different instruments such as drums. Our Recreation Team are busy planning their Creative Art programs for our residents who like to paint and draw.

I would like to thank Marla Chapman and her Tim Horton's team for providing our residents and staff with three days of fresh coffee, tea, hot chocolate, muffins, and a variety of donuts. We asked our residents which donuts they wanted, Boston Cream and Easter Sprinkles were the winners. We also need to thank Terry Moore and his Loch Lomond Villa Maintenance Team for building and bringing to life an actual Tim Horton pop up inside The Villa and The Village.

As Loch Lomond Villa continues to ensure we are all following the necessary infection prevention and control practices, we are also listening to the voices of our residents and families on how we can keep everyone safe. To date we are very pleased to have trained 221 of our resident's family members and friends as Essential Care Partners who visit every week. Another training session for ECPs will be held this coming weekend. We are in the process of hiring more staff as screeners in preparation for reinstating our short outside visits for other family members and friends to connect with our residents.

We are very pleased to have received approval from Public Health and Social Development to conduct a 1<sup>st</sup> dose vaccine clinic for our Seniors living in our three apartment buildings. Providing this clinic on-site allows for easy access for our tenants within their home and vaccination by our well-trained Loch Lomond Villa vaccinators. We will also be providing 1<sup>st</sup> vaccine to any of our nursing home residents who have not been vaccinated.

Thank you once again for your understanding, cooperation, and patience.

Cindy