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wherever you  
call home

## Weekly Newsletter

### Visitation – What to know?

We have been informed of a positive case of COVID-19 in our LB Broen Home facility. With a COVID-19 case, we will need to stop general visitation at this time. LB Broen Home doors will be locked. Essential Caregiver visits may continue for all residents except those on Transmission Based Precautions. Compassionate Care visits may continue. As a reminder, Essential Caregivers will need to screen in thoroughly, and wear a surgical face mask while being escorted to and from the resident's room. The Essential Caregiver is limited to the resident's room.

Thank you for your continued support and diligence as we navigate these guidelines provided by the Minnesota Department of Health. If you would like to schedule a video visit, window visits, or outdoor visit with your loved one please contact Aaron Hanson at 218-998-7333 or [aaron.hanson@lbhomes.org](mailto:aaron.hanson@lbhomes.org).

*Thank you for making  
a difference every day.*

\*Visitation protocols will remain unchanged for all other LB Homes' facilities.

### CORONAVIRUS TESTING:

**We are currently conducting outbreak testing for staff and residents at LB Broen Home. Please watch your emails and listen to voice messages for updates regarding testing requirements. If more positive cases are identified, testing will be increased. We appreciate your help to contain the virus!** Essential caregivers are strongly encouraged to continue testing with us however this is no longer required to be able to visit.

- In outbreak testing, due to the delta variant being very contagious, at this time we have made the decision to test **ALL LB Homes staff**, regardless of vaccination status twice weekly.
- This is to remind you of COVID -19 testing that is mandatory for **ALL LB Broen Home staff & residents**, and **ALL LB Hospice, Home Care, and business office employees**, and recommended (but not required) for Broen Essential Caregivers on **Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup>** from 6:00am—9am in the **2N Dining room**, near Light and Life Auditorium. Enter through door I. Please call Dawn Bratlien at 218-998-7313 with any questions or concerns.
- **ALL Assisted Living** Staff and recommended (but not required) for Essential Caregivers will test on **Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup>** from 6:45 am- 8:15 am at the Woodland Lodge Building (East Lower-Level Entrance).

## In the Community!



Members of the HR team worked on recruitment during area college career fairs. Thanks, Jim & Jodi for spreading the word on our fantastic career opportunities!

Terry Beck, LB Hospice Bereavement Coordinator visited with members of Zion Lutheran Church in Amor. She presented on grief during COVID. If you are experiencing feelings of grief or loss, we want you to know that resources are available through our Employee Assistance Program. Information is available through the HR team and remains confidential.



**CAMP EMILY**  
HOPE HEALING HAPPINESS  
for grieving kids ages 7-18  
**Saturday, October 9th**  
9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
**Register by October 1st**  
**LB Homes.org/services**  
**218.998.1400**



## Café Update

\*Reminder that starting the week of September 20<sup>th</sup>, café meals will no longer be free of charge. Blue punch cards have been printed up and are ready for you to purchase, currently the options are \$20 per card- cash, check, or payroll deduction-must sign for this option. Thank you!

**LB Homes Cumulative COVID-19 Operations Report**  
**3/13/2020—9/21/2021**

<b>Entity</b>  *Numbers in this table reflect testing of symptomatic residents and employees tested outside of Point Prevalence Survey testing.	<b>Number of residents or clients tested</b>	<b>Number of residents or clients confirmed positive</b>	<b>Number of employees tested</b>	<b>Number of employees confirmed positive</b>	<b>Number of COVID-19 related deaths</b>
<b>LB Broen Home</b>	89	0	123	17: (2 Currently isolated)	0
<b>LB Alcott Manor</b>	5	0	9	1: (No longer isolated)	0
<b>LB Woodland Lodge</b>	3	0	7	2: (No longer isolated)	0
<b>LB Home Care</b>	16	12	11	2: (No longer isolated)	0
<b>LB Hospice</b>	7	6	18	6: (1 Currently isolated)	0

**LB Homes Point Prevalence Survey (PPS)/Routine Testing**

<b>Date of Point Prevalence Survey Testing</b>	<b>Number of residents or clients tested</b>	<b>Number of residents or clients confirmed positive</b>	<b>Number of employees/essential caregivers tested</b>	<b>Number of employees/essential caregivers positive</b>
September 9, 2021 *Antigen tests * PCR tests	64	0	188	1 (No longer isolated)
	0	0	9	1 (No longer isolated)
September 11, 2021 *Antigen tests * PCR tests	61	0	65	0
	0	0	0	0
September 13, 2021 *Antigen tests * PCR tests	63	0	181	0
	0	0	9	0
September 16, 2021 *Antigen tests * PCR tests	10	0	194	2 (Currently isolated)
	0	0	2	2 (Currently isolated)
September 20, 2021 *Antigen tests * PCR tests	11	0	193	0
	0	0	2	2 pending

**Mitigation (efforts to reduce loss of life or property) measures currently implemented include:**

- \* 04/16/2021 General visitation (scheduled) re-opened at Broen Home
- \* 03/30/2021 Fourth COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic – Nursing Home & Assisted Living (3<sup>rd</sup> vaccine)
- \* 03/02/2021 Third COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic – Nursing Home & Assisted Living (2<sup>nd</sup> vaccine)
- \* 02/16/2021 22 Sheridan House Residents completed their 2nd COVID 19 Vaccination
- \* 02/02/2021 Second COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic – Nursing Home & Assisted Living (1<sup>st</sup> vaccine)
- \* 01/25/2021 General visitation (scheduled) open at Broen Home & Alcott Manor
- \* 01/20/2021 General visitation (scheduled) open at Woodland Lodge
- \* 01/19/2021 Sheridan House COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic completed with OTC Public Health
- \* 01/05/2021 First COVID-19 Vaccines administered at LB Broen Home

If you did not receive your vaccine and would like to, contact please contact Dawn Bratlien at 218-998-7313 or check out the resources found here:

[COVID-19 Vaccine | Otter Tail County, MN \(ottertailcountymn.us\)](https://www.ottertailcountymn.us/covid-19-vaccine).