



Caring for you,  
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:

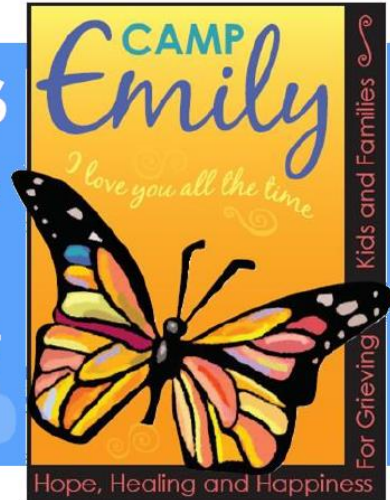
**We are currently conducting outbreak testing for staff and residents at LB Broen Home. Please watch your emails and listen to voice messages for updates regarding testing requirements. If more positive cases are identified, testing will be increased. We appreciate your help to contain the virus!** 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 will be testing all staff **(who enter Broen Home to work)** every other day x3 and then resume twice weekly testing. Please make every effort to test at these times. If you are unable to test on Saturday, Monday, Thursday of this week or Monday and Thursday of next week, please contact Sam Finch at 998-7336 or Dawn Bratlien at 998-7313.
- This is to remind you of COVID -19 testing that is mandatory for **ALL LB Broen Home staff & residents**, and all **unvaccinated** LB Hospice, Home Care, and business office employees, and recommended (but not required) for Broen Essential Caregivers on **Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup>** from 6:00am—9am in the **2N Dining room**, near Light and Life Auditorium. Enter through door I. Please call Sam Finch, 218-998-7336 or Dawn Bratlien at 218-998-7313 with any questions or concerns.
- All **unvaccinated** Assisted Living Staff and recommended (but not required) for Essential Caregivers will test on **Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup>** from 6:45 am- 8:15 am at the Woodland Lodge Building (East Lower-Level Entrance).

## HOPE HEALING HAPPINESS

*for grieving kids and families who have experienced the death of a loved one.*

It is a time to come together with others in our region who have experienced similar loss.



- Participant groups are divided by age
- All groups are facilitated by professionals trained in grief
- Supportive atmosphere of acceptance and understanding
- All participants can safely express their grief and move toward healing
- Education provided regarding the natural process of grief and the “normalcy” of grief feelings and grief reactions.
- Participants will be encouraged to express their feelings and reactions verbally and non-verbally through the use of art projects, play, and a memorial celebration

The experience of sharing with others who are in the same situation can be comforting and reassuring, as well as help soften the feelings of isolation and loneliness. Join us in this annual event.

Who: Ages 7- 18: Children, adolescents, and their parents/guardians  
When: Saturday, October 9th, 2021 from 9:00am—3:00pm  
Where: Bethel Church 702 West Alcott Avenue Fergus Falls, MN 56537  
Cost: FREE! Thank you to our generous sponsors!  
How: Pre-Registration is required, space is limited.

Register by calling: **218.998.1400**

Online registration at: [LBHomes.org](http://LBHomes.org)

Registration Deadline: **October 1<sup>st</sup>**



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\*If you have questions regarding Camp Emily, please reach out to [Terry.Beck@LBHomes.org](mailto:Terry.Beck@LBHomes.org)\*  
Brochures are available in the front entry of LB Broen Home and LB Westside Offices.



**LB Homes Cumulative COVID-19 Operations Report  
3/13/2020 9/7/2021**

<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>	85	0	119	15: (No longer 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>	14	10	11	2: (1 Currently isolated)	0
<b>LB Hospice</b>	6	5	17	5: (No longer 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>
August 26, 2021 *Antigen tests * PCR tests	6	0	80	0
	0	0	3	0
August 30, 2021 *Antigen tests * PCR tests	11	0	116	0
	0	0	1	0
September 2, 2021 *Antigen tests * PCR tests	6	0	86	0
	0	0	3	0
September 7, 2021 *Antigen tests * PCR tests	11	0	110	0
	0	0	5	5 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 Sam Finch at 218.998.7336  
or check out the resources found here:

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