



ALLEGRIA

AT THE FOUNTAINS

OUTBREAK RESPONSE PLAN

IDENTIFICATION: An outbreak will be identified utilizing current information from the NJ DOH, CDC or CMS as communicated to Allegria at the Fountains.

ASSISTED LIVING

- ≥ 1 probable or confirmed COVID-19 case in a resident or staff member;
- ≥ 3 cases of acute illness compatible with COVID-19 in residents with onset within a 72h period

1. ISOLATION and COHORTING ISOLATION

- Upon identification of an outbreak, Allegria at the Fountains will isolate the infected individuals in their rooms or apartments.
- Anyone entering the room will don appropriate PPE before entering, in accordance with the current guidelines from NJ DOH, CDC or CMS. Most commonly, this would be face mask, gloves, gowns, and eye protection.
- Allegria at the Fountains will strive to assign consistent staff to these residents in order to prevent transmission of germs to non-infected residents.

2. COHORTING

- If a resident is in a shared room alternate placement, ie: placed in a room with another positive resident if possible or another facility that is able to take Covid positive patients temporarily, will be sought out.
- Isolation and cohorting will continue until the outbreak is resolved.

- Residents will be returned to their original areas after terminal cleaning is completed.

3. Notification of residents, residents' families, visitors and staff

- Residents will be notified of the facility's infectious status via printed flyers that will be handed out by staff. These will be provided by 5pm the day after any positive result (resident or staff) is seen, or on a weekly basis if there are no current cases among residents or staff.
- Residents' families will be notified of the facility's infectious status via email blast. This will be provided by 5pm the day after any positive result (resident or staff) is seen.
- Visitors will be notified of the facility's infectious status via posting on the entry door.
- Staff will be notified of the facility's infectious status by postings at the time clock for each employee to view.
- As applicable, notifications for all groups will include :
 1. Mitigating actions to prevent/reduce transmission
 2. Changes to normal operations of the facility (for example, discontinuation of group activities or congregate dining).
 3. Notifications will be updated weekly, at a minimum.

4. Availability of Laboratory Testing

- Allegria at the Fountains contracts with a certified laboratory services provider, which has the ability to test all residents upon order of their physician and all staff members via order of the Director of the NJ Dept. of Health.

5. Protocols for Assessing Visitor Illness

- Upon arrival to Allegria at the Fountains, visitors will announce themselves via phone from the entry vestibule.
- If the visitor is to be admitted, the receptionist will remotely open the door and ask the visitor to step to the desk.

- At that time, the receptionist will screen the resident for symptoms, travel, etc. (current requirements from State and Local Health Departments), and take the visitor's temperature.
- If the answer to any of the screening questions is "yes" or the visitor has a temperature in excess of 100.4F, the visitor will not be permitted entry.

6. Protocols for Staff Illness

- Staff will be educated to monitor themselves for signs/symptoms, and to not come to work if they are exhibiting these signs/symptoms.
- Staff will be screened at the entry doors prior to every shift for symptoms, temperature and travel status, as appropriate.
- Staff will be provided with proper education and PPE in response to any outbreak

7. Policies to Conduct Routine Monitoring of Residents and Staff

- Residents and staff will be tested in accordance with State and Local Departments of Health, CDC or CMS guidelines in place at the time of the outbreak.
- Residents will be assessed every shift (or as per current DOH requirements) for signs and symptoms of disease.

8. Policies for Reporting Outbreaks

- All mandated reporting to public health officials will be completed by the Administrator in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
- The Administrator will ensure Allegria at the Fountains is current on all requirements and reporting is timely as required.

9. Protocol When Visitation is Curtailed

- Activity department will be responsible for conducting the following virtual visits
- Zoom
- Window visits.

- Phone calls

10. Strategies for Securing Additional Staff in the Event of an Outbreak or Emergency

- Overtime will be permitted according to staff requests
- Staffing agency contracts will be maintained and utilized.
- Continuous hiring will be maintained.
- NJ DOH, CMS and CDC waivers of staffing standards will be utilized if necessary