



Date: January 11, 2021
To: Arbor Acres Residents and Families
From: Andrew W. Applegate, President and CEO
RE: Vaccination and Visitation Update

Vaccinations

Within the next couple of weeks, residents and staff wishing to receive the much-awaited COVID-19 vaccination will have received their first vaccinations and will be on track for the second dose. I know for some of you the speed of vaccination distribution is frustrating. Please know we share your frustration. Here is where we are in the vaccination process:

Strickland Place and Arborview residents and any Arbor Acres staff wishing to have the vaccination received their first doses on Tuesday, January 5, 2021. Asbury Place residents will receive the first shot on January 12, 2021. We are waiting for confirmation of the dates for their second vaccines.

Residents in apartments or houses will have two opportunities to receive the vaccination series at clinics to be hosted in Piner Hall with the first dose being administered January 22, 2021. The second dose will be administered on February 19th. On that day (February 19th) residents who did not receive their first dose can receive it. Those receiving their first dose on February 19th will have a follow up on March 19. *Please note that CVS will not distribute any first round doses at the March clinic.*

Visitation

The question has now been raised whether the visitation restrictions that have been in place in one way or another since March will be lifted once the second vaccination round is complete. As with most everything associated with the pandemic, that decision rests in the hands of the Department of Health and Human Services and not with Arbor Acres. We have asked this very question on your behalf and are eagerly awaiting an answer. I encourage everyone to expect a slow return to any semblance of normal. I truly wish I could give you more joyful news; however, as with all things related to this pandemic, actions that seem logical may not always be the most scientifically sound.

We are still required to follow protocols as directed by the health department when individuals have positive test results. Please know that we are in nearly daily contact with the health department and when we receive further direction, we will distribute the information as quickly as possible. We so look forward to the day when you can freely engage with your loved ones and we can see your faces again.