

National Update - Friday, March 13 10:30 AM EST

We are continuing to closely monitor the global spread of COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) and are coordinating with the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention and local health department across the United States and Canada to ensure we are taking necessary precautions to help prevent the spread of this virus.

Sunrise has nearly 40 years of experience caring for seniors, and infection control is part of our everyday operations. While COVID-19 poses a grave concern, cold and flu season is a risk for seniors every year. Sunrise maintains a rigorous Infection Control and Prevention Program, which is regularly updated to reflect current CDC guidance. Out of an abundance of caution, we began implementing a number of measures weeks ago to help protect our team members and residents from COVID-19, including:

- Limiting visitors at the community to only those who need to be there.
- Conducting resident health evaluations, including temperature checks and respiratory assessments multiple times a day.
- Instructing team members to stay home if sick or experiencing virus symptoms, and asking team members to self-quarantine in cases of possible exposure to infectious illness.
- Screening all team members and visitors for possible illness, recent travel to CDC-issued Level 2 and Level 3 countries (China, South Korea, Japan, Iran, and Italy), and potential exposure to the virus.
- Re-educating our team members and monitoring to ensure that community teams are following the standards in our evidence-based Infection Control and Prevention program, such as frequent handwashing, cleaning of hightouch surfaces, and other recommended hygiene measures.

Our team is working to maintain normalcy for our residents and families despite this situation. We want to thank our residents, families and team members for their understanding, cooperation and words of support in recent days. We are humbled by and appreciative of the trust you place in us every day.