



# Homme Homes

Faith. Health. Happiness.

May 14, 2020

Dear Residents, Family Members, Resident Guardians, and Supporters of Homme Home,

On the evening of May 13, 2020, the Wisconsin State Supreme Court reversed Governor Evers Safer at Home Order. Even with the reversal of this order, Homme and all its care centers are still required to follow Federal Guidance from: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Centers for Disease Control, and the regulatory branches of Department of Health Services Division of Quality Assurance Bureaus for Nursing Home Care and Assisted Living. Per the Federal Guidance, Homme must continue to restrict all visitation for the safety of our residents.

The only exception to this restriction is for end of life care, and visitors that meet this exception will be screened for respiratory symptoms, fever, and must always wear masks.

On our Wittenberg Campus, per the Department of Health Services Division of Quality Assurance Bureau of Nursing Home Care, we are ordering COVID tests for all residents and staff. We anticipate testing of residents and staff to begin the week of May 18, 2020. At this time only the Wittenberg campus will have testing as we are waiting for further guidance from the Bureau of Assisted Living to determine when we will be able to test residents and staff of our Wausau campus.

To provide an update on the status of our residents and staff Homme does not have any residents or staff with signs or symptoms of respiratory issues. Likewise, we do not have any positive resident or staff cases of COVID-19 in any of our care centers. Per our regulations, if we have positive cases or influenza like illness, families and residents will be updated accordingly.

During this time, it is important that we all play a role in preventing community spread. Please practice social distancing and personal hygiene when out in the community. The sooner the virus depletes the sooner we can return to normal.

Questions regarding COVID-19 can be directed to Brad Davis, RN, Director of Nursing and Infection Control Wittenberg Campus at [bradd@homme.org](mailto:bradd@homme.org) or 715.235.2125 ext. 132 , or to me at [justinc@homme.org](mailto:justinc@homme.org) or 715.253.2125. ext. 151. Weekly updates will be posted on [www.homme.org](http://www.homme.org) on the COVID 19 Information Tab.

Sincerely,

Justin Cieslewicz  
Executive Director