

## Stratford

The quarantine measures for Stratford have been discontinued as of September 19. While we are tracking some potential employee exposures, none of the Care Neighborhoods are currently in quarantine.

## Employee Case

This past week, an employee who does not have significant resident contact developed symptoms and subsequently tested positive for COVID-19. After completing a full contact-tracing study, we determined that no resident or resident group would need to quarantine.

## Booster Shots

Yesterday (September 22), the FDA amended the Emergency Use Authorization of the **Pfizer** vaccine to allow for a booster shot for those people 65 and older, people at high risk of severe disease and people whose jobs put them at risk of infection. There continues to be no recommendation for boosters for the **Moderna** vaccine – which Saint John’s utilized in our vaccination clinics held in January, February, and March of this year. When, or if, Moderna boosters are recommended we will hold vaccination clinics.

If you received the Pfizer vaccine, or if you are immunocompromised, and wish to explore receiving a booster shot at this time, we recommend you contact your health care provider.

## Visitors

As a reminder, all visits must occur only in resident apartments or in outdoor spaces, such as the Plaza. Visitors and guests may not accompany residents to events or use common areas, unless those events are held outdoors. Visitors may not partake in in-person dining in Taylor’s, the Bistro, or the Care Neighborhood dining rooms. All visitors to Saint John’s must be always masked and observe proper social distancing. We are discouraging residents from having large groups visiting in their apartments.

Visitors to Windsor and Canterbury must always wear a surgical mask and visit only in resident rooms. Stratford visits will occur in the Stratford conference room while the neighborhood is in quarantine. To remain properly distanced in a resident room, we encourage limiting visitors to two at any time.

Residents of Saint John’s are welcome to attend LifeStreams events and gatherings in the Towers or Neighborhoods. Visitors who do not live at Saint Johns may not accompany residents to events. It is permissible for paid, medically necessary care providers (such as companions) to attend events with residents. However, we ask that those care providers either be vaccinated or submit to routine testing.

## Metric Change

As announced last week, the CDC and CMS adopted a new multi-factor representation of virus activity. This “Integrated County View” will be our benchmark moving forward and can be found on the updated Statistics page. More information is available: <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view>

## Questions?

The weekly COVID Updates are produced by Saint John’s COVID Response Team. If you have a question for the team, please contact Matt Loyd, COO, at (414) 831 – 6953 or [mloyd@saintjohnsmilw.org](mailto:mloyd@saintjohnsmilw.org).