



January 11, 2021

Dear Goodwin House Bailey's Crossroads Residents –

We are excited to share very good news with you! The CVS vaccine clinics for Independent Living residents have been scheduled! They will take place next week on:

- Thursday, Jan. 21 from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
- Friday, Jan. 22 from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

As we communicated yesterday, Governor Northam has asked local health departments and hospitals to accelerate the pace of vaccinations in Virginia. As a result, there are other opportunities for older adults to get vaccinated.

These new vaccination options are good news and for many reasons! They will enable the most vulnerable citizens and more essential workers to be vaccinated sooner. They also will help our region curb the presence of COVID-19 going forward. We are very grateful for these additional options!

What does this mean for Independent Living residents?

It means that you now have several options to obtain the vaccine. It may be that by the time you could schedule an appointment with a third party to be vaccinated that it will be after the GHBC vaccine clinic dates. However, we wanted to provide you with a review of all options. These include:

- **Through Goodwin House Bailey's Crossroads:** the first vaccine clinics for Independent Living residents will take place Jan. 21 and 22 in the Auditorium.
- **Through the Fairfax County Health Department (FFHD):** FFHD is now scheduling appointments for vaccinations.
- **Through the Virginia Hospital Center (VHC):** VHC is now scheduling appointments for vaccinations.

Please see the attachment to this letter with information on obtaining the vaccine through FFHD and VHC

Should residents try to get vaccinated through FFHD or VHC?

Independent Living residents are encouraged to get vaccinated at GHBC unless you are more comfortable trying to get an appointment sooner and if you are able to do so on your own. We are not able to handle the registration and scheduling for residents that is required to obtain a vaccination appointment through the Fairfax County Health Department or the Virginia Hospital Center. Residents will need to undertake that on their own. If you choose one of these options, please be mindful that you will need to obtain your second vaccine at the same location and you will be responsible for getting it scheduled.

Will residents that leave campus to be vaccinated be required to quarantine in their apartment upon return?

Residents that leave campus for the sole purpose of getting vaccinated will not be required to quarantine upon their return. While there is some risk with going off campus to be vaccinated, the benefits of being vaccinated are greater.

If residents receive their first dose of the vaccine off campus, can they obtain the second dose at GHBC?

No. If residents receive the first dose off campus, they must receive the second dose at the same location and with the same vaccine (whether that is the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine). Residents that are vaccinated through FFHD or VHC must receive both doses through that vaccination provider.

If residents are vaccinated through FFHD or VHC, do we need to let Goodwin House know?

Yes. We need to receive confirmation of your vaccination. Please provide a copy of your vaccination card, which you will be given when you receive the first dose of the vaccine, to Ann Lam with the Health Center team. You can drop off your copy to Ann's attention at the reception desk.

Thank you for taking time to read this letter and be informed about the multiple options you have to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. If you have further questions, please contact me at 703.578.7100 or jcarwile@goodwinhouse.org. If your questions are of a clinical nature, please contact Karen Doyle at 703.578.7260 or kdoyle@goodwinhouse.org.

In service,

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