

## **BERKS HEIM COVID STATUS UPDATE: May 25, 2021**

**Berks Heim currently has no positive resident cases of COVID-19. All residents that previously tested for COVID-19 are now recovered.**

**One hundred ninety-one (191) staff have tested positive since the beginning of the pandemic. One (1) staff member tested positive on 5/10/2021.**

**As of 05/18/2021, we will be able to adjust testing of staff from twice a week to once a week due to the Berks County positivity rate for COVID-19 cases being below 10%.**

**We will no longer be testing residents weekly as Berks Heim is no longer in an outbreak status in accordance with CMS guidance. Any resident that presents with symptoms will be tested.**

**Indoor visitation is currently on hold to protect the health and safety of the Berks Heim Residents due to recent COVID-19 positive cases. We are offering pre-scheduled outdoor visitation for those residents residing on "Green" areas of the facility (COVID Unexposed Zones) only. If you are interested in scheduling an outdoor visit or are unsure of the status of a nursing unit, please contact Social Services or the Activity Department to schedule a visit or inquire.**

**We are currently working on plans to implement pre-scheduled Indoor Visitation now that all residents and staff tested negative for COVID-19 for a two-week time period.**

**Compassionate/end of life visitation will continue through requests reviewed by the Director of Nursing.**