

Wexford Family Liaison Council Meeting Notes – October 17, 2023

We held our Wexford Family Liaison Council meeting on Tuesday, October 17. Below is a summary of what we discussed:

Programs & Services Update

Our invited guest was Leanne Daniels, Director of Programs & Services. October was scheduled with a lot of activities. Unfortunately with the outbreak on 2 floors, many activities had to be cancelled. Activities will be resuming next week with events like the birthday party. Many residents were able to enjoy a fall leaves bus trip. There were 2 bus trips and 1 planned trip had to be cancelled. The residents who were not able to take advantage of going on a fall leaves bus trip because of the outbreak will have an opportunity to go on a Christmas lights bus trip. Some of the planned entertainment events that were booked for October will be rescheduled to November. Pawsitively Pets is scheduled to return mid-November. Leanne and her team are cautiously optimistic that in December, they will be able to have a full schedule of entertainment events like holiday parties and Smile Theatre.

Leanne has been exploring pet therapy for The Wexford, but so far we remain on a waiting list with St. John's.

Sprinkler Project

The work on the 3rd floor is expected to be completed on Thursday, October 19. The work continues to take about 3 weeks/floor. The 4th floor will be started as soon as the work on the 3rd floor is complete. When that work starts, the 4th floor residents will be having breakfast in the main floor dining room. This will allow the construction team to start work earlier in the day while the residents are having breakfast.

After the sprinkler project work is completed, the walls in the entire building will be repainted. The colour that was used in the new sitting room on the main floor will be used throughout the building. This work is expected to start early in 2024. As the floors are painted, we will be starting to install our new Wexford Family Council bulletin boards.

Masking

Currently, masking is required at The Wexford. The end date for mandatory masking is October 23. We had a great discussion about masking ongoing. Leanne told us that at the Residents' Council meeting, the residents all said they do not want the staff masking. The conclusion that we reached was that we support masking when there is an outbreak and as a personal choice for staff. We do not support mandatory masking at all times.

Residents' Bill of Rights

FYI, at our meetings we have started reading the updated Residents' Bill of Rights. In September, we review 1 through 3 of the 29 rights. As time permits in our meetings, we will continue to read 3 rights/meeting. The Residents have also been reviewing these rights.

Cultural Celebrations in the New Year

Wexford is looking into different cultural events for 2024. A gap analysis will be done to assist in identifying them.

Monthly Activity Floor Calendars

Linda sends out the individual floor activity calendars at the beginning of each month. If you would like to be added to that distribution list, please send an e-mail to lstrome@rogers.com with the floor number that your Resident lives on.

Palliative Care at The Wexford

Fida Al Khatib, DOC has accepted our invitation to present an educational session in November on Palliative Care at The Wexford. This presentation provides valuable information about palliative care and we hope you will be able to join us. We will send out more information as soon as we are able to confirm a date with Fida.

Please contact us if you have any comments or questions.

Regards,
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