

C-Updates



The *C-Updates* is an info sheet to provide you with information regarding the COVID-19 virus on Frasier and is produced as needed. You can also search for COVID updates on our website for additional information. If you have questions on any of the *C-Updates* content, please email questions to feedback@frasiermeadows.org.

April 20, 2023

National Declarations and C-Updates

In a welcome and symbolic move reflecting tremendous progress in COVID-19 pandemic and Frasier's conditions, this will likely be the last issue of C-Updates. We are retiring the Dashboard as well. President Joe Biden signed legislation on Monday, April 17, to end the national emergency for Covid-19 and the separate Public Health National Emergency, which enabled the government to provide COVID-19 tests, treatments and vaccines at no charge, is scheduled to end May 11.

For the past three years, C-Updates has relayed information, current conditions, operational changes, and progress to our residents, staff, family and others, oftentimes helping to bring order to early-day chaotic situations and reassurance to residents in unsettling times. Rest assured that any infectious disease-related communications deemed necessary for health and safety reasons will still be relayed via appropriate channels as needed in scope to our respective levels of care.

Moving forward

On April 18, 2023, the US FDA announced it was simplifying its recommended COVID-19 vaccine schedule, stating a single dose of the bivalent vaccine specific to the BA.4 and BA.5 strains of the omicron variant is enough for most individuals. Moving forward, all coronavirus vaccines administered to those who are 6 months and older will be the bivalent doses and the original forms of the COVID-19 vaccines from Pfizer and Moderna are no longer authorized for use in the U.S.

Additionally, and certainly most pertinent to the residents of Frasier, **people over the age of 65 who have received one bivalent dose are eligible for another at least four months apart.** Immunocompromised individuals who have already received one dose may also get an additional immunization at least two months after, with additional doses permitted at the "discretion" of their healthcare provider.

Many of our very diligent residents have reached out to see if Frasier is going to offer ongoing COVID-19 vaccine clinics for our Independent Living residents. After careful consideration, we have decided to move to an annual influenza and COVID-19 vaccine clinic only. The next onsite vaccine clinic will be offered in the Fall of 2023. Factored into this decision were the differences in recommended spacing between vaccine doses, the need to consult individual providers who are familiar with each person's health conditions, and the significant number of resources required to facilitate widespread vaccine clinics.

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Residents in The Meadows Assisted Living and Memory Support communities and those in The Summit Care Center will be offered vaccines recommended by their physicians in partnership with our contracted pharmacy (Pharmerica). For those of you in Independent Living, we encourage you to communicate with your primary care physician and your local pharmacy to develop a vaccination plan that takes into consideration your health conditions.

2023 Frasier COVID-19 Dashboard



April 20th

LOCATION	NEW Cases since last reported on 4/04/23	ACTIVE Cases in isolation	RECOVERED 2023 cumulative	DEATHS - for 2023
Residents: The Peaks	0	0	12	0
Residents: The Prairies	0	0	5	0
Residents: The Meadows (Assisted Living)	0	0	0	0
Residents: The Meadows (Memory Support)	0	0	6	0
Residents: The Summit Care Center	0	0	28	4
Staff: Independent Living	0	0	8	0
Staff: The Meadows Assisted Living (AL and MS)	0	0	3	0
Staff: The Summit Care Center	0	0	12	0