

# Messages from SMP Health - Maryhill

## A Newsletter for Maryhill Families

June 2022

Dear Family and Friends,

Nursing facilities must meet specific standards of care both defined by the state and federal government. While skilled nursing facilities are governed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services it uses a 5-star rating system to assess quality of care given. The rating is based on three main criteria: health inspections, quality measures, and staffing. I am proud to say that Maryhill is a top 5-Star nursing home in North Dakota which stems from our quality scores based on the 5-star program. Our number one goal is to have the resident's best interest in all decisions made every day. Thank you for your continued support and trust with Maryhill as we service your loved ones.

### Happy Father's Day

The doctor says to take IRON everyday and to live on GREENS. Happy Father's Day wishes to all dads. Enjoy the wonderful memories with your families.

### Pastoral Care

At the end of June Father Chris Markman is moving to Grand Forks for his new assignment that the diocese's needs him to cover. Father Chris Markman has supported Maryhill for the past six years from a catholic ministry standpoint.

Father Robert Keller is currently at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Fargo, but his new assignment will be the Enderlin area supporting us at Maryhill. At the end of June, Father Robert Keller will be transitioning to our area for his new role within the catholic diocese's.

### Covid-19 Updates

We are in routine status (zero positive staff and residents). Testing requirements are in place for all not-up-to-date and symptomatic individuals at a frequency of twice a week. The screening machine upon entry is another protection to catch situations to reduce the spread as much as possible, so please continue to utilize the machine each time you visit. Please remember that masking is required while in the facility hallways and hand hygiene is extremely important. If you are experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms, please stay home to reduce any exposure to the residents. If you have any questions, please continue to reach out!!

CMS visitation guidelines from 11/12/2021 outlining indoor visitation, visitor testing/vaccination, and resident outings are still in effect. Once the weather is nice, you will be able to utilize outside places for visiting with your loved ones as well. If you plan to have a large group coming in and want to reserve a family room, please call and we can reserve it otherwise it's a first come first serve basis. Please pass the word along to other family and friends who visit but visiting with loved ones in the main dinning room/living room is not allowed. We are trying to protect other residents as much as possible and ask that when you are visiting to stick to a family room or your loved one's room. Thank you for the support in our effort to keep everyone as safe as possible.

SMP Health – Maryhill has an active policy in place to be compliant with the federal mandate at this time and all staff working within the building are either vaccinated or have an approved exemption. Everyone with an approved exemption does need to follow additional guidelines for everyone's protection. We continue to use our best methods of protection to keep everyone safe including vaccination, hand hygiene, and masking.

Stay healthy and God bless,  
*Bailyn Walz, CEO/Administrator*



**CHECK OUT MARYHILL ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE – We Have Some Wonderful  
Outside Events Scheduled Throughout the Summer!**

