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Salina Presbyterian Manor's assisted living has perfect infection control survey

SALINA, Kan. — Salina Presbyterian Manor's assisted living got a perfect score on its assisted living focused infection control survey July 29. The survey was conducted by the Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services (KDADS).

During its special session in June, the Kansas Legislature instructed KDADS to survey all adult care homes and other adult services licensed by the state within 90 days to ensure their readiness to respond to the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

"During this COVID pandemic I have witnessed the Assisted Living and Memory Care staff pour their hearts into our residents like never before," said Amy Thompson, Assisted Living Director of Nursing. "From increased one-on-one activities, assisting with window visits with families and being a shoulder to cry on when a resident is missing a loved one on top of their normal workload. Not to mention the personal sacrifices of volunteering for extra shifts, postponing vacations, staying home to protect our residents and all that hand washing!"

Zero deficiencies means Salina Presbyterian Manor met all the standards for infection control in the community's health care center.

"Our mission to provide quality senior services guided by Christian values is lived out every day by our employees," said Christian Gilbert, executive director. "Receiving zero deficiencies in both health care and now assisted living is a testament to our employees' dedication to our residents and their health and safety."

"I could not be more proud to be a part of this awesome team who has taken such precautions and infection control to an unprecedented level to keep our residents safe and healthy," said Thompson.

The purpose of a focused infection control survey is to examine the facility's policies and emergency preparedness related to a pandemic or outbreak and a facility's adherence to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and KDADS guidance for infection control practices to prevent diseases.

During the survey, communities are assessed on staff and resident education on hand hygiene and coughing/sneezing etiquette, cleaning, screening of employees and residents, effective transmission-based precautions, proper use/discarding of personal protective equipment and signage at entrances and resident rooms.

KDADS surveys adult care homes and home plus agencies every 12 to 18 months for compliance of regulations established by the Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services (KDADS). The regulations are designed to ensure a standard of care is met. By meeting these standards, senior living communities are able to renew their licenses and continue to provide care.

Salina Presbyterian Manor is a continuing care retirement community (CCRC), or life plan community, offering independent living, assisted living, memory care, long-term health care and short-term rehabilitation.

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Salina Presbyterian Manor has served Saline County since 1980 with independent and assisted living, nursing home care, services for Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia, and short-term rehabilitation. Learn more at SalinaPresbyterianManor.org. Presbyterian Manors of Mid-America is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization with 16 locations and 2 hospices in Kansas and Missouri. Learn more at PresbyterianManors.org.