



Sarasota Bay Club

TO: All SBC Residents and all Family Members
FROM: Gail Chase
DATE: January 4, 2022
RE: COVID-19 Update

This memo is being sent to update everyone relative to one resident testing positive for COVID-19 last night at SBC. The resident is vaccinated and boosted. This is another breakthrough infection and based on discussion we had with the resident, it appears the infection was contracted during a holiday vacation involving travel. Contact tracing was performed, and each resident affected was contacted and are isolating until the results of the COVID tests we performed this morning are obtained. The infected resident is isolating and is experiencing slight symptoms but is well enough to remain home.

Once again, we find ourselves reporting to you on COVID-19. The number of COVID-19 cases in the Sarasota area has gone up 50% since last Thursday. Florida is now listed as 4th among the states where COVID is spreading rapidly on a per-person basis.

I understand that this information may be disheartening. *Fortunately, symptoms, if any, have been mild for those vaccinated who have contracted this COVID-19 variant.*

I cannot stress enough that the new variant, although mild for most people, is believed to be HIGHLY TRANSMISSIBLE. **Therefore, all residents must wear their masks in the common areas.** We need to return to being committed to adhering to the guidelines that mitigate the risk of COVID-19; mask adherence and hand hygiene. The local County rate is at 10%. Sarasota Memorial Hospital rate has increased to 25.8% as of today. We need to continue these protective measures until we move past this rising positivity rate.

Your help is needed once again in ensuring everyone in the community stays safe and healthy. Please, if you feel symptomatic, notify us immediately so we can perform the necessary testing and prevent the spread of the virus.

We will continue to update you.

GC:ljm