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No deficiencies in infection control for Salina Presbyterian Manor's health care center

SALINA, Kan. — Salina Presbyterian Manor's health care center continues to get high marks on infection control from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Surveyors returned to the campus December 28 to conduct a second COVID-19 outbreak-related survey, and again found no deficiencies. The last survey was completed November 9.

The campus also had zero deficiencies on a focused infection control survey in July and the community's annual survey of the health care center in September. The community's assisted living center also had zero deficiencies on a focused infection control survey last summer.

Focused infection control surveys hone in on a nursing facility's adherence to Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and CMS guidance for infection control practices to prevent disease at the community. 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. Surveyors also examine the facility's policies and emergency preparedness related to a pandemic or outbreak.

The Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) conducts the surveys on behalf of CMS, the federal agency that sets licensing and quality standards for nursing facilities. Zero deficiencies means Salina Presbyterian Manor met all the standards for infection control in the community's health care center.

"A zero-deficiency survey is always something to celebrate," said Christian Gilbert, executive director. "To have four zero deficiency infection control surveys and zero deficiencies on an annual health care survey in the midst of a pandemic is something to be proud of. Our employees are commitment to our mission to provide quality senior services guided by Christian values."

Senior living communities are surveyed annually by their licensing agency for compliance of regulations established by the Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) and CMS. These regulations are designed to ensure a standard of care is met. By meeting this standard, 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 15 locations and 2 hospices in Kansas and Missouri and another campus under development in Colorado Springs. Learn more at PMMA.org.