

May 25, 2021

Dear Dom Lipa Families, Friends, Employees and Supporters,

In this communication we share information regarding COVID-19, continue answering questions posed at our recent Annual General Meeting (AGM) and continue to share profiles of our Board members.

Facility Covid-19 Exposure

The Facility Covid-19 Exposure that was declared at Dom Lipa on May 2, 2021 continues to be in effect. While this is not an Outbreak, currently all Residents from K-wing are required to isolate in their rooms. The Retirement floor is no longer in a Facility Covid Exposure.

AGM Q&A

We are continuing to answer questions raised during and following our recent AGM in our communications. We also welcome everyone to continue to submit questions whenever they may arise.

1) Q: What disinfection practices are followed at Dom Lipa?

A: There are regular disinfection practices in place. We have been recognized by government inspectors who regularly attend at Dom Lipa for our disinfection practices that we exceed requirements.

2) Q: What percentage of Dom Lipa have been vaccinated? Are there any strategies in place to encourage vaccination among staff and to address vaccine hesitancy?

A: We are extremely pleased to report that over 80% of Dom Lipa Staff have received at least one vaccine dose. Over 90% of residents are now fully vaccinated, having already received two doses. The Ministry of Health has provided target vaccination rates for Long-Term Care Homes of 70% for staff and 85% for residents. We are immensely proud to have exceeded both targets.

Addressing vaccine hesitancy is of utmost importance and crucial to ensuring the safety of residents and staff. It is also essential to support an eventual return to more group activities and socializing. Dr. Pilarski, the Dom Lipa Medical Director has held two virtual town hall sessions to provide staff with an opportunity to learn more about the vaccines. We have also offered Staff a paid half day off for each vaccination they receive to further support Staff to become vaccinated.

Board Member Profiles

We will continue to share brief background profiles of each of our Board members in the coming weeks to enable you to get to know the current Dom Lipa Board members.

William Secnik, Director

William is a Senior Vice President and Fund Manager at Fiera Real Estate Investments in Toronto. He has expertise in institutional investments and has worked in the Real Estate industry for more than 20 years. William is highly involved in the Slovenian community, including as a long-standing member of the Naglej Folklore Dance Group. He has been a member of the Board since 2019.

Father Plazar, Director

Father Plazar served as a Priest for the first Slovenian Catholic parish in downtown Toronto and has served on the Board for many years. He is active in ensuring the Slovenian character of the home is maintained. Father Plazar also continues to celebrate Mass at Dom Lipa and attend to the spiritual needs of our residents.

Father Batič, Ex Officio Member

As the Pastor at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, Father Batič is an Ex Officio Member of the Board. Father Batič has served on the Board of Dom Lipa for many years.

We are always looking for new Board members. Please do not hesitate to contact any Board member should you wish to learn more about the nature of the work or should you wish to join the Board or a Committee.

Hope you had a safe and sunny first long weekend of summer!

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