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Covid-19 Information Pack 21/22

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A MESSAGE FROM CHAPTER

The health and wellbeing of our residents has been our primary concern throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

We are grateful that residents have followed our advice closely and worked with us to ensure the safety of our community. We are continuing to closely monitor the situation and as we continue to welcome our new residents, we have put a number of precautions and procedures in place to reduce the risk of catching or spreading the virus within our properties. We will continue to update our information and advice as the situation develops and in line with the latest public health advice.

We'd like to thank our current residents for their ongoing support and we are incredibly proud of our Chapter community.



NHS GUIDANCE

- Wash your hand regularly with soap and hot water for at least 20 seconds.
- Use hand sanitiser if soap and water is not available.
- Cover your mouth with a tissue or sleeve if you cough or sneeze and wash your hands thoroughly afterwards.
- Put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards.
- Avoid close contact with anyone who may be showing symptoms of Coronavirus or are self-isolating.
- Try to stay at least 2 metres (3 steps) away from anyone you do not live with (or anyone in your support bubble).
- Please wear a face mask or covering throughout any communial and shared spaces within your building.
- We encourage our residents to maintain social distance when using our communal areas

There are some places where you must wear a face covering, such as:

- On public transport.
- When you go to hospital appointments or visit someone in hospital.





COVID-19 SYMPTOMS

If you have Coronavirus symptoms and have not had a test, stay at home and get a test to check if you have Coronavirus as soon as possible.

Coronavirus symptoms include:

- A high temperature: you feel hot to the touch on your chest or back.
- A new continuous cough: this means you've started coughing repeatedly.
- Loss of taste or smell.



You can find out more about how to take a test through NHS website

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing/

If you are unable to take a test or test positive, you must self-isolate for 10 days from when the symptoms began or from the day you took the test.

If you're concerned about your symptoms and need medical advice, use the <u>NHS 911 Coronavirus service</u>

Please notify your Reception Team by phone or email to let us know you are self-isolating so we can support you throughout this process.



NHS COVID-19 APP

We strongly recommend that you download the NHS Covid-19 app.

How does it work?

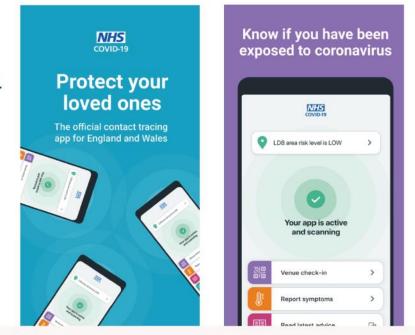
The NHS COVID-19 app has been built in collaboration with some of the most innovative organisations in the world.

- They've worked with medical experts, privacy groups and at-risk communities.
- And they have shared knowledge with the teams working on similar apps in many countries.

The app runs on proven software developed by Apple and Google, designed so that nobody will know who or where you are. And you can delete your data, or the app, at any time.

It has a number of features:

- **TRACE:** find out when you've been near other app users who have tested positive for coronavirus.
- ALERT: lets you know the level of coronavirus risk in your postcode district.
- CHECK-IN: get alerted if you've visited a venue where you may have come into contact with coronavirus, using a simple QR code scanner. No more form filling.
- SYMPTOMS: check if you have coronavirus symptoms and see if you need to order a test.
 - TEST: helps you order a test if you need to.
 - ISOLATE: keep track of your self-isolation countdown and access relevant advice.



COMMUNAL SPACES

All Chapter Properties will be operated to ensure we continue to protect our residents and on-site team.

Our Covid-19 precautions are clearly communicated throughout our buildings.

In accordance with government guidelines, we have made changes to our amenity and communal spaces.

- We have removed or re-arranged furniture.
- We have reduced occupancy numbers which is clearly communicated at the entrance to the area.
- We will continue to regularly and thoroughly clean all communal spaces and commonly touched items such as lift buttons and door handles.
- We ask that all residents wear a face covering throughout communal areas to help keep our building COVID-19 secure.



COVID-19 SECURE AT CHAPTER



Every resident should:

- Wear a face covering and continue to do so in communal areas, lifts and corridors.
 - Have their **temperature checked** when entering the building.
 - Wash their hands with hand sanitiser available at each entrance.
 - Adhere to occupancy levels in amenity and communal spaces.



SELF-ISOLATION SUPPORT

Our teams are here to support you during your isolation period.



Our on-site team are always available to help and support our residents.

We also have additional well-being services available including Student Minds, a charity committed to student mental health and Nightline, a confidential listening and support service run by students for students.



Our residents' health and mental well-being is paramount at Chapter and we have set up an online events platform that includes live classes and on-demand content.

The platform has been designed to help keep residents active and provides opportunities to learn a new language, virtually tour museums or join a live yoga class amongst a variety of other content.

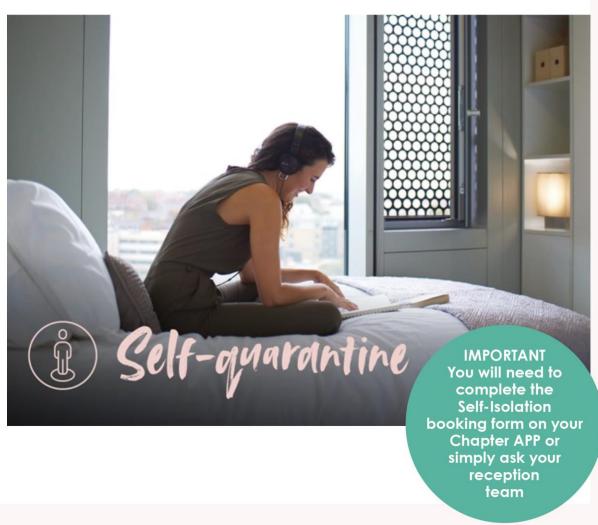
SELF-ISOLATION FOR COVID-19 POSITIVE CASE

If you have symptoms of COVID-19 however mild, self-isolate for at least **10 days** from when your symptoms started. You should arrange to have a test to see if you have COVID-19 – go to testing to arrange. Do not go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital.

If you are not experiencing symptoms but have tested positive for COVID-19, you must self-isolate for at least 10 days, starting from the day the test was taken. If you develop symptoms during this isolation period, restart your 10-day isolation from the day you developed symptoms.

You could be fined if you do not stay at home and self-isolate following a positive test result for COVID-19 or if you are contacted by NHS Test and Trace and instructed to self-isolate.

After 10 days, if you still have a temperature you should continue to self-isolate and seek medical advice. You do not need to self-isolate after 10 days if you only have a cough or loss of sense of smell or taste, as these symptoms can last for several weeks after the infection has gone.



SELF-ISOLATION GUIDE FOR STUDENTS LIVING IN SHARED APARTMENT

Self-Isolation Due to Recent International Travel or Exposure to Someone with Coronavirus:

- Tenants living in shared apartments should avoid close contact (through social distancing and use of PPE) with other members of the household.
- A Rota for use of the kitchen should be put in place.
- Clean frequently touched surfaces such as door handles, handrails, remote controls and table tops regularly.
- Clean a shared kitchen and shared bathroom after each use by wiping the surfaces touched.
- Chapter will suspend access to the room for routine maintenance, repairs and inspections and only enter the room or apartment for emergency repairs.
- Tenants can leave their personal waste outside their apartment every Monday and Thursday between 10am and 11am only.

Self-Isolation for Covid-19 Positive Case:

- If a tenant is affected by coronavirus, the tenant is encouraged to inform the community team. Based on availability, Chapter will relocate the tenant.
- Tenants should avoid close contact (through social distancing and use of PPE) with other members of the household.
- A Rota for use of the kitchen should be put in place.
- Clean frequently touched surfaces such as door handles, handrails, remote controls and table tops regularly.
- Clean a shared kitchen and shared bathroom after each use by wiping the surfaces touched.
- Personal waste (such as used tissues) and disposable cleaning cloths can be stored securely within disposable rubbish bags. These bags should be placed into another bag, tied securely and kept separate from other waste. This should be put aside for at least 72 hours before being left outside the cluster door for collection. The waste will be collected from outside your apartment every Monday and Thursday between 10am and 11am.

CHAPTER'S RESPONSE TO A POSITIVE COVID-19 CASE

Your safety is our number one priority, and we want to you know that we will take all steps available to us to ensure the property remains safe in case we have a positive case in one of our Chapter Building.

Chapter will take the below steps:

- **COMMUNICATION:** Should there be a positive case of COVID-19 identified within the building, we will inform our current residents by email. We will not communicate every positive case but if there are a large number of cases or if there has been an extensive break inbetween cases, we will inform our current residents by email.
- ADDITIONAL CLEANING: We will be conducting an additional deep clean (Electrostatic disinfecting cleaning) of the communal areas, to complement our existing cleaning management processes.
- SELF-ISOLATION SUPPORT: Our priority remains supporting our residents through this difficult time and this includes delivering of parcels and food and beverage orders, waste removal and providing free laundry services.



NEED HELP DURING COVID-19?

Every Mind Matters is here to help you manage and maintain your mental health, as good mental health makes such a difference. It helps us to relax more, achieve more and enjoy our lives more.





We all go through ups and downs in life, and experience life changes that can affect our mental health.

Every Mind Matters gives you simple and practical advice to get a healthier mind and get more out of life – from how to deal with stress and anxiety, to boosting our mood or sleeping better. It will help you spot the signs of common mental health conditions, get personalised practical self-care tips and information on further support. You'll also learn about what you can do to help others.

Every Mind Matters has been created by Public Health England, with tips and advice developed with experts and approved by the NHS.

It has also been endorsed by the Royal College of General Practitioners. In January 2020, we teamed up with Heads Up for the biggest weekend in football, the Emirates FA Cup Third Round, to help you discover simple steps to look after your mental health.



NEED TO TALK?

STUDENT MINDS

Look after your mate guide Student Minds have produced a campaign to give students the knowledge to understand a little about what their friend or flatmate is going through, the skills to support their friend to the best of their ability and the confidence in your ability to talk about the difficult things and support their friend through the difficult times.

Our website provides more information about specific mental health difficulties, and has links to where students can get further support - <u>VISIT WEBSITE</u>

As part of the 'Look After Your Mate' campaign, we produced a Guide for Friends. Take a look at the guide for tips on starting a conversation with a friend, keeping the conversation going, understanding their friend's diagnosis and much more! Take a look at the guide online, or download a copy of the guide below.



NIGHTLINE We are open between 6pm and 8am every night of term

London Nightline is a confidential and anonymous listening and practical information service run by students for students, of the University of London and beyond. Students can talk to us about anything – big or small – in complete confidence. We won't judge you or tell them how to run their life: we'll simply listen to whatever is on their mind. All our volunteers are students themselves, who have undergone extensive training and who understand that university life isn't always plain sailing. Nightline is able to provide crucial out-of-hours

STUDENTS AGAINST DEPRESSION

A website by students, for students

Students Against Depression is a website offering advice, information, guidance and resources to those affected by low mood, depression and suicidal thinking. Alongside clinically-validated information and resources it presents the experiences, strategies and advice of students themselves – after all, who better to speak to their peers about how depression can be overcome?

peer support via phone, live chat, email, text and Skype services.

Phone: If you want to talk to one of our volunteers over the phone, you can call the number below and chat with no time pressure. Call (+44) 207 631 0101
Text: We reply within 10 minutes. You can come back to the conversation, hours or even days later. Whatever suits you best. Text us: 07717 989 900
Email: Sometimes it's nice to write things out on your own time and send it to someone, so you can also contact Nightline via email listening@nightline.org.uk
Skype Call: If you have Skype downloaded, you can add us as a contact and call us free of charge from wherever you're based in the world.

SAMARITANS

116 123. Call us free, day or night, 365 days a year

Every six seconds, we respond to a call for help. No judgement. No pressure. We're here for anyone who needs someone.

Phone: Whatever you're going through, you can call us any time, from any phone for FREE. Call 116 123 Email: We will respond within 24 hrs.

jo@samaritans.org Write to us: Sometimes writing down your thoughts and feelings can help you better understand them: Chris Freepost RSRB-KKBY-CYJK

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USEFUL CONTACTS

NHS Get a Test: https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/

GOV.UK Coronovirus: https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus

UK Border/Self Isolation https://www.gov.uk/uk-border-control/self-isolating-when-you-arrive

Every Mind Matters https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/

NHS Covid 19 App https://www.nhs.uk/apps-library/nhs-covid-19/

NHS Self-Isolation and Treatment: https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/

