



WEEKLY UPDATE

November 6, 2020

Dear Residents and Families/Representatives,

Please accept this letter as an update to inform you about the status of COVID in our facility and what we are doing to keep our residents and staff safe during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.

We continue to test our Staff weekly for COVID -19. ALL Staff tested NEGATIVE last week. However this week we were informed one staff tested Positive outside the center. This brings our total numbers to 26 residents and 8 staff members that have tested positive for COVID-19 over the course of the Pandemic. Since we had an Employee test Positive this week, we now have to test ALL residents for COVID for the next 2 weeks.

At this time Visitations are NOT able to be held until the 2 week's testing of Residents have been completed with NEGATIVE results and we are cleared by Prince George's County Health Department. Once results have been received for the next 2 weeks and if ALL Residents and Staff are Negative we can resume Visitations. We will notify you of that matter after test results are received and Prince George's County Health Department has been notified.

We continue to implement and practice enhanced safety precautions recommended by our federal, state and local health officials. We continue to permit only essential personnel inside the facility. Prince George's County remains in Phase 2 at this time. We perform routine screenings for Staff and any Essential Vendor for signs and symptoms of illness prior to entering the building. We continue to monitor our residents and we are using PPE as recommended by the CDC.

We recognize during this time that families need to stay in touch with their loved ones. We will continue to offer Facetime visits with your loved ones. Please contact Marie Lacroix at 301-459-4700 ext 136 to schedule these Facetime visits.

Based on additional guidance we have received we will NO LONGER accept food, beverages or outside items such as Flowers, etc., brought in by FAMILIES. However we ARE able to accept Food, Beverages and Flower from OUTSIDE VENDORS. We are also able to have Residents order food from OUTSIDE VENDORS within specified hours. I recognize this is a change but it is necessary for the safety of our Residents. The Kitchen will be stocking some snacks and convenience food items to offset this change.

As a reminder, we will continue to post updates on our facility website and we will individually notify representatives/families regarding a resident's condition if he/she tests positive for COVID-19 or is displaying symptoms of COVID-19. If you have any questions or concerns please contact us directly 301-459-4700.

Sincerely,

Barry Grofic, Administrator