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May 14, 2020

Dear Residents and Families/Representatives,

We want to take this opportunity to let you know that as of today, 21 residents and 4 staff have tested positive for COVID-19, out of the 21 cases 5 residents have fully recovered now showing negative and have been transferred from the isolation unit. While we are disappointed that we continue to see additional cases of COVID-19, we want to assure you that our staff is working tirelessly to keep everyone in our community safe and reduce the number of positive cases in our facility. We are in constant communication with our federal, state and local health officials, including the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), and are following all of their recommendations, such as:

- Only essential personnel are permitted inside the facility and they are screened for signs and symptoms of illness prior to entering.
- Residents are continually monitored.
- Housekeeping is performing regular deep cleanings of the facility.
- Staff receives education and wears personal protective equipment (PPE) as recommended by the CDC.
- Group activities have been suspended and staff is providing individual activities for residents.
- We are implementing isolation protocols as required.
- We encourage staff to practice social distancing and to use hand sanitizer and frequently wash their hands when they are in the facility and out in the community.

As a reminder, we will notify you through our website of newly confirmed cases of COVID-19 as well as when three (3) or more residents and/or staff present with new onset respiratory symptoms that occur within seventy-two (72) hours. We will also update you with any new steps we are taking to prevent and reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19.

Again, please check our website for more updates and information. If you have any questions or concerns please contact us directly 301-459-4700.

Sincerely,

Barry Grofic

Barry Grofic Administrator

COVID-19 NOTIFICATION

May 20, 2020

Number of additional confirmed COVID-19 cases: 1

Please continue to check our website for additional updates and information on what we are doing to help prevent further spread of COVID-19 in our facility.

If you have any questions or concerns about this notification, please contact us directly at 301-459-4700.



May 22, 2020

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Dear Residents and Families/Representatives,

It is hard to believe that it has been over two months since COVID-19 so drastically changed our lives. We have all had to make big adjustments in an effort to keep everyone in our community safe, and we appreciate your support as we continue to take all necessary steps to prevent further spread of COVID-19 in our facility.

As we have reported to you through our website this week, we have received confirmation of one additional case of COVID-19 in our facility, which brings our total numbers to 21 residents and 4 staff members that have tested positive for COVID-19. The Maryland National Guard has provided us with test kits. On Thursday May 21,2020 we tested all residents. On Friday May 22,2020 we tested all staff members. We will be getting these test results within the next several days. 5 residents who previously tested positive have now resolved and have been removed from isolation. Our Environmental Service staff continue to wipe surface contact areas 3 times a day.

We are committed to seeing the number of positive cases in our facility decline. However it is possible that as we test all residents this number may increase. We will continue to implement and practice enhanced safety precautions recommended by our federal, state and local health officials. We are only allowing essential personnel inside the facility to perform regular screenings for signs and symptoms of illness prior to entering the building. We recognize during this time that families need to stay in touch with their loved ones, therefore we have implemented face time calls with families and residents to keep in touch virtually. We continue to monitor residents. Deep cleanings are done on a regular basis. We are using PPE as recommended by the CDC. Activities are provided on an individual basis as opposed to group activities, implementing isolation protocols as required and encouraging staff to practice social distancing. We are constantly reminding staff to use hand sanitizer and to wash their hands frequently when they are in the facility and in the community.

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

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COVID-19 NOTIFICATION

May 27, 2020

Number of additional confirmed COVID-19 cases: 3

Please continue to check our website for additional updates and information on what we are doing to help prevent further spread of COVID-19 in our facility.

If you have any questions or concerns about this notification, please contact us directly at 301-459-4700.



WEEKLY UPDATE

May 29, 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.

As we have reported to you through our website this week, we have received confirmation of one additional case of COVID-19 in our facility, which brings our total numbers to 26 residents and 4 staff members that have tested positive for COVID-19. The Maryland National Guard has provided us with test kits. On Thursday, May 21st we tested all residents. 61 were NEGATIVE and only 3 were Positive! On Friday, May 22nd we tested 95 staff members. ALL staff members tested NEGATIVE! The residents who previously tested positive have now resolved and have been transferred from isolation to our step-down unit for 14 more days of observation. Our Environmental Service staff continue to wipe surface contact areas 3 times a day. We thank the Maryland National Guard for providing the test kits for our residents and staff!

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