



WEEKLY UPDATE

August 28, 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 of last week, there were two new employee cases of COVID-19 in our facility. These employees are off the schedule until they pass the 14 Day quarantine period and they will be retested. Upon a NEGATIVE test result they will be cleared to return to work. These cases were identified during our Weekly testing of Staff, which brings our total numbers to 26 residents and 6 staff members that have tested positive for COVID-19 over the course of the Pandemic.

The protocol when we have any Positive Employee test is to test all Residents. ALL Residents were tested on August 21, 2020. ALL Resident test results were NEGATIVE! As per the direction of the Prince George's County Health Department, Residents will be tested again this week. Staff continue to have mandatory Weekly testing.

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. We 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. We are using PPE as recommended by the CDC.

Based on additional guidance we have received we will NO LONGER accept food brought in by FAMILIES or OUTSIDE VENDORS. 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,

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