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To Our Residents and Family Members:

Late last night on 1/12/22 we had a staff member test positive for COVID-19. This morning we had another staff member test positive for COVID-19. We tested all residents on our 2 West Unit, 2 East Unit, and Assisted Living. We had three residents test positive. Those residents were moved to a separate unit.

We are currently having activities for residents. Residents should wear a mask at the activity and ensure proper hand hygiene is being practiced. Dining rooms are also open for use. Beautician services are also up and running.

We are following CDC and CMS guidelines for these inside visitations. We are now open for visitation at any time. We still are asking families to visit in the resident's room or a designated area but visits will not have to be scheduled and they can take place even if there are positive cases in the facility. The facility will still give the families a surgical mask for the visit. If a resident is in quarantine, the family can still visit but will only be given a surgical mask. If the family would like additional protective equipment beyond the surgical mask it will be up to the family to bring it in on their own.

We are also allowing residents to go out with families for outings. Residents do not have to quarantine no matter if they are vaccinated or not as long as they don't have an exposure to somebody with COVID-19 symptoms and the resident is gone less than 24 hours. We ask families to call the facility and ask for the nurse of their loved one to let them know when they will be picking them up to take them out of the facility. The family member will sign the resident out when they leave and sign them back in when they return at the reception desk. Each time a family member takes a resident out of the facility they will be asked to sign a Negotiated Risk Agreement.

We held a vaccination clinic on 1/4/22. Any resident wanting the first or second dose of the Moderna vaccine and any staff wanting the second dose of the Moderna vaccine were able to receive it. In addition, the Moderna booster was also offered at this clinic.

We know this continues to be a difficult time for everyone. We will continue to update you as we have updates to give.

Sincerely,

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