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To Our Residents and Family Members:

Yesterday, 5/11/2021, we tested all residents and staff at St. Francis Senior Ministries for COVID-19. We had no positive cases of COVID-19 after testing was complete.

We will test all residents and all staff again next Tuesday 5/18/2021. As long as there are no positive cases before this test date and no positive cases on 5/18/2021 this will be the last time that all staff and residents will need to be tested unless somebody shows signs and symptoms of COVID-19 or we have another positive case in the facility. All unvaccinated staff only will continue to be tested every Tuesday and Friday. Inside visits will continue as long as we have no additional cases of COVID-19 for 14 days. If we have any additional cases of COVID-19 within 14 days while doing the outbreak testing all visitation will have to be postponed until we have no positive cases for 14 days.

We are currently having activities for residents. Residents are required to wear a mask at the activity and proper hand hygiene is being practiced along with residents being appropriately social distanced. Dining rooms have also been opened up for use. Residents are able to come to the dining room if they wish for meals and sit one resident per table. Beautician services are also up and running and we are offering inside visits. Please call the reception desk to schedule a visit.

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, the county does not have a positivity rate greater than 10%, 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 are still encouraging family members to connect with their loved ones through video chat, calling, texting, or other social media formats.

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

Sincerely,

Gabe Stoll

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