



December 1, 2020

To Our Residents and Family Members:

Starting today 12/1/2020 we are starting a schedule to test all of our staff for COVID-19 two times a week. Our testing will be conducted on Tuesdays and Fridays. Residents still need to be tested once a week only. This is to comply with federal and state testing requirements. We conducted testing on all of our staff this past Friday 11/27/2020 and these were sent to the lab and we are awaiting all of the results on these tests. So far, the results we received from Friday's testing came back with one positive staff result. Today, however, we were able to use our rapid testing to test staff so we received all of the results today. As a result of the testing we had an additional 3 staff members test positive for COVID-19. All residents were also tested again today and we had one resident test positive for COVID-19 and is currently on an isolation unit. All staff will continue to be tested every Tuesday and Friday with the next round of testing this Friday 12/4/2020. They will be the rapid tests again so all results will be back this Friday. All residents will be tested again next Tuesday 12/8/2020.

Because of new federal requirements if we receive a positive test we are required to test all residents and staff every 3-7 days until we have no positive cases in the facility. Unfortunately, due to having positive cases we have had to stop our inside visitation. As soon as we are clear of all COVID-19 in the facility for 14 days we will resume visitation. We now have to quarantine all residents to their rooms and stop beautician services at this time.

We are working with local and state health officials to ensure we are taking all the appropriate steps.

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,

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