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**WEEKLY UPDATE**

**1/7/2021**

Dear Residents and Families/Representatives,

Please accept this letter as our weekly update regarding the status of COVID-19 in our facility. Since the onset of this virus, we have had 54 residents and 46 staff members test positive for COVID-19. The most recent positive result was identified yesterday (1/6). There are currently 2 residents on our designated COVID Unit.

The facility did partner with Walgreens Pharmacy to administer our vaccines and they were here on 1/5/21 and conducted the first of three clinics to vaccinate the residents and staff. The follow-up clinics will be held on 1/26/21 and 2/16/21. We are encouraging all of our residents and staff to receive the vaccine series. If you have any questions about the vaccine or you want your family member to receive the series, please call the facility.

As always, we are working hard to keep everyone in our community safe and we will continue to practice the enhanced safety precautions that are known to prevent the spread of COVID-19, such as only essential personnel are allowed inside the facility and we screen them for signs and symptoms of illness prior to entering. Our residents are continually monitored and staff is using PPE as recommended by the CDC. Staff is frequently reminded and encouraged 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. We ask them not to report to work if they have symptoms of illness.

Please continue to check our website for weekly updates as well as notification of new cases. As always, we will notify you if we receive confirmation of a new positive case in our facility and we will reach out to you individually if your loved one is displaying symptoms of COVID-19 or tests positive for COVID-19.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact us directly at 301-777-5941.

Sincerely,

  
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