



WEEKLY UPDATE AND NOTIFICATION OF NEW CASES

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Dear Residents and Families/Representatives,

Please accept this letter as our weekly update regarding the status of COVID-19 in our facility and notification that that we received confirmation this morning that 2 residents and 1 staff member tested positive for COVID-19, which brings our total number of cases since the onset of this virus to 6 residents and 6 staff that have tested positive. As disheartening as this news is, please know that the safety of our residents and staff is, and will always remain, our top priority. We are doing everything we can to stop the spread of the virus in our facility.

Due to our recent positive cases and the continued surge of positive cases throughout Allegany County, we are asking that all families refrain from dropping off any personal items or care packages at this time. Visitation also remains suspended until we complete two weeks of staff and resident testing without any positive cases. In the interim, please contact us and we would be happy to set up a virtual meeting (Zoom, Facetime, etc.) between you and your loved ones. We truly appreciate all of your patience and understanding during these most difficult of times.

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 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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