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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. Since the onset of this virus, we have had 73 residents and 42 staff members test positive for COVID-19. Unfortunately, we had one resident test positive after transferring to an acute setting. We also had one staff member test positive who is in quarantine at home.

On December 30<sup>th</sup>, Walgreens Clinic will be here to administer COVID-19 vaccines to all staff and residents who have consented to receive the vaccine. It's a two-step process and the next scheduled dates for vaccine administration will be January 20<sup>th</sup> and February 10<sup>th</sup>. Short-term residents can elect to have the first dosage administered at the facility on December 30<sup>th</sup> or January 20<sup>th</sup>, if in-house. If residents discharge prior to the required second dosage, he/she can return on January 20<sup>th</sup> or February 10<sup>th</sup> to complete the process. The doses must be administered 21-28 days apart.

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 410.641.4400.

Sincerely,

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