

January 26, 2021

Families, friends, residents and staff,



Today was a busy day with resident and staff testing as well as our second vaccination clinic. We are incredibly grateful to have our second clinic which will provide the booster and increase vaccine efficacy to approximately 95%. Each resident received a PCR test which we mail as well as a rapid antigen test; each resident received a rapid antigen test so we may have immediate results opposed to waiting until tomorrow or Thursday for the results. Yesterday, a resident on first floor tested positive for COVID which prompted dual tests today. The antigen tests provided immediate results and identified two new positive cases on third floor.

Donna Wolin, DNS/RN, has been working with DHHS regarding the process for residents to return to their rooms from the COVID Unit. Residents returning have expressed great happiness and relief to be out of the COVID Unit and returning to their rooms. This process will take a period of time to complete but we are moving systematically to benefit each resident's wellbeing.

Staff who have been out of work due to a positive case or for precaution continue to return to work which has been helping with our staffing. We also continue to maintain a sufficient pipeline of PPE. Our next round of full-house testing will be the rapid antigen tests held on Friday, January 29.

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