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Families, friends, residents and staff;

Weekly testing was conducted on Tuesday with all results returning as negative. We will continue testing once a week until the county positivity rate decreases below 5%. Unvaccinated employees continue to make appointments to receive the vaccine and a few choose to find a new career. The organization's deadline to receive the first dose is this Sunday and an overwhelming number of staff elected to receive the vaccine. In a short period of time our building will be fully vaccinated which greatly protects our residents and staff.

The seasons are beginning to transition to the cooler months and the weather is often unpredictable. If you have an outdoor visit scheduled and the weather prevents a comfortable visit, please feel free to adjust to an indoor visit. We do not require a call in advance. This is also a great time of year to transition resident clothing to warmer clothes such as long sleeves and sweaters. We also request clothing be brought to the laundry department before cycling into the resident's wardrobe.

Resident visits continue to go well and people have been following the mandatory infection control requirements which we are grateful for. We would like to emphasize a few of the requirements which tend to be broken the most.

- \*\*Visitors may only visit with the resident they are scheduled a visit with.
- \*\*Social distancing is required with all other residents.
- \*\*Visitors may not ride the elevator with other residents.

We encourage visitors who would like to bring their resident to an activity to do so, but we kindly request you meet the activity staff so they may bring the resident to the table. This allows us to maintain social distancing.

We understand some of the requirements continue to be ridged but the requirements presented by CMS and CDC is what allows us to keep our residents healthy. Thank you again for your continued participation and patience!

Have a great weekend,

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