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Hello families, residents and friends.

It is Friday, almost the end of May. Thank you ever so much for your ongoing support and understanding. As the cities and towns around us relax restrictions, we MUST remain very restrictive. All guidance from the Department of Health, CDC and Health and Human services continues to require us to NOT relax ANY restrictions. May I remind you not to leave any debris outside windows after visits. PLEASE DO NOT ASK for windows to be OPEN.

Today, I have reminded all staff members of their commitment to staying safe when they leave us. They too must navigate our cities and towns with relaxing restrictions that could expose them. So Masking at work and when outside around others; social distancing; handwashing and health monitoring and restricting travel were reminders. I share with you as best practices for all of us.

We are hoping to receive more information next week on surveillance testing of resident and staff. We have done our baseline testing and are just waiting on instructions to complete our weekly testing. It is our understanding from the Commissioner of Health and Human Services is that the State is contracting with a Laboratory that will handle all of the surveillance testing for LTC centers. They recognize that the PUBLIC HEALTH Lab would be overwhelmed with the weekly testing from all centers.

We monitor all those in our care every shift for any fevers or symptoms. This week we tested one resident and it came back negative. We have 3 staff members out self-quarantining. They each self-reported a close family member that may have been exposed. 2 more will self-quarantine because of out of state travel for family needs. We are lucky that our coworkers are telling us of possible exposure and complying with our screening requirements.

With all of the restrictions, I can only promise that we will continue to do our best to keep this insidious virus away. Please pray with us to keep us all safe and well.

On a very positive and fun note. I reached out to an organization called Students against Covid-19, high school students from Exeter HS. Today, they dropped off plants for each of our residents to care for in their rooms. We hope that we can then bring them and their plants, if they so desire, out to the courtyard to plant. Individually of course.

Here are some photos.







Have a lovely weekend all! Kindly,

Huanne Rogers
Administrator