



April 29, 2021

Dear Resident and Family Members,

As you know, we are required to inform you whenever there is a newly positive test result for COVID-19 for a staff member or resident in our facility. We are writing today to alert you of 2 positive results from employees. As a result, per the NY State Department of Health (NYDOH) guidelines, staff members are required to quarantine for 14 days, returning to work only after a negative clinical test.

Because of new staff positives we continue not to have inside visits. The process of outbreak testing is underway, we however can allow outside visitation as long as weather permits and hope that soon we will be back to inside visitation.

There are certain core principles and best practices that reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission including, but not limited to:

- Screening of all who enter the facility for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 (e.g., temperature checks, questions about and observations of signs or symptoms), and denial of entry of those with signs or symptoms or those who have had close contact with someone with COVID-19 infection in the prior 14 days (regardless of the visitor's vaccination status)
- Hand hygiene (use of alcohol-based hand rub is preferred)
- The use of face coverings or masks (covering mouth and nose)
- Social distancing at least six feet between persons

Please adhere to the core principles of COVID-19 infection prevention so we keep our residents safe.

Please be assured will be promptly notified by phone if your loved one is identified as a suspected or positive case of COVID-19, is on a quarantined unit, or has any other significant change in condition.

Sincerely,

Mary Jean Weber