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Dear Residents, Family Members and Responsible Parties,

It certainly has already been a challenging year for all of us, as we continue to deal with the coronavirus and the highly contagious omicron variant.

One of our staff members has tested positive and will be quarantined according to CDC guidelines. This staff member has not worked on the unit since Monday. Residents on that unit have been tested as a precaution and have all tested negative. Another staff member who does not work on a care unit also tested positive and will be quarantined according to CDC guidelines.

As you know from the news COVID is still very much affecting us. The positivity rate in Philadelphia is now 24%, with the transmission rate still at high level. We continue to practice infection control measures to help keep everyone safe. The staff is now wearing KN95 masks and goggles are required on the licensed units.

We continue to suspend visits on the units and ask you to follow our visitation requirements:

- Visits will be held in the Cappuccino Corner.
- Pick up a new protective mask at the front door when you come in and replace your mask with the fresh mask. NO CLOTH MASKS ALLOWED.
- Masks MUST BE WORN by both the Resident and visitors during the entire visit
- Do not visit if you have any respiratory or flu-like symptoms or COVID symptoms
- Do not visit if you have been exposed in the last 14 days to anyone who tested positive for COVID
- Use the hand sanitizer when you come in and out of the building
- Maintain social distancing
- Protect yourself and others by getting vaccinated and getting the booster

Please share this information with your other family members. Although you don't have to make an appointment for a visit, it would be helpful if you would call the nurse ahead of time so that we can have time to get your loved one ready and brought down when you arrive.

In the event that we have an outbreak situation, we will be moving Residents to different rooms in order to best contain the virus and utilize the staff efficiently. We will contact you at that time if there will be a room change for your loved one.

We know you want to help us to keep our Residents, staff and Sisters safe from the COVID virus. We don't want to have to quarantine the Residents and suspend visits due to a positive case. Thank you for your prayers, understanding, and cooperation.

Sincerely,

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President

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