



Little Sisters of the Poor

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Dear Residents, Family Members and Responsible Parties,

Happy New Year! May God bless us all with a happy, healthy and peace-filled year.

Since my last update letter to you, the positivity rate in Philadelphia has jumped from 13.3% to 25.7%, with the transmission rate still at high level. With these rates, it was only a matter of time for the virus to affect the Home.

We have two staff members who tested positive (both fully vaccinated). They will be quarantined and retested according to CDC guidelines. Residents on the skilled unit and personal care unit were tested as a precaution. One Resident who was tested on the skilled unit tested positive and will be quarantined in their room according to CDC guidelines.

In order to help keep the virus out of the Home, we continue to suspend visits on the units and ask you to follow our visitation requirements:

- Visits will be held in the Cappuccino Corner.
- 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
- 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.
- 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 go back to quarantining the Residents and suspending visits due to a positive case. Thank you for your prayers, understanding, and cooperation.

Sincerely,

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President

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