

April 6, 2020

Dear Residents and Family,

This is a difficult and unsettling time as we deal with the unprecedented pandemic of our era. We recognize that family members may have concerns and we want to keep you updated with developments, as well as how we are working toward minimizing the impact of this devastating illness. The safety of our residents and staff are of utmost importance.

As a reminder, we stopped visitors to the facility on March 11th prior to any mandate and continue to do so. We thank you for your cooperation and sacrifice as this step has potentially reduced possible exposure to our residents.

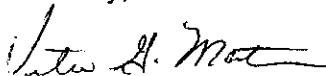
Unrelated to that decision, we sent a resident to the hospital on March 10th. The resident was held for observation and later diagnosed with an alignment unrelated to COVID-19, then released back to our care. In an abundance of caution, we isolated the patient in a private room since that time. While the resident appeared to be recovering, the resident presented symptoms which was followed by a positive COVID-19 test result on April 3rd. We also have been notified that an employee and one other patient have been diagnosed with COVID-19. All individuals are in isolation and the employee remains at home.

We are continuing to work with our staff to reduce any risks to our population with added sanitation practices, increased isolation precautions for residents demonstrating COVID-19 symptoms and consults with our infection disease doctor and medical director. In addition, all group activities and communal dining have been cancelled.

Please be assured, we continue to work with the residents' physicians, local hospitals, the State and local Departments of Health and Office of Emergency Management to navigate this crisis and ensure the best outcome.

Please reach out if you have any questions. In the meantime, we will continue to keep families informed. Updates will be recorded on our dedicated COVID-19 hotline - 973-777-7800 ext 616.

Sincerely,



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Administrator