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Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Dear Resident / Representative:

This letter is to provide you with an update on the status of the Veterans Home's efforts to prevent the spread of the coronavirus. The safety and wellbeing of all residents is our top priority. The Infection Prevention and Control Committee continues to meet at least weekly to review new federal and state guidance and work closely with the county, regional, and state health department contacts.

We have had two new staff positive cases this past week. A total of forty-seven residents have tested positive since testing started. Seventy-six staff have tested positive or presumptive positive since testing became readily available. We will continue to test all residents and staff over the next two weeks due to the most recent positive case. Hawthorn Neighborhood is currently under quarantine until October 20th.

COVID-19 vaccine booster clinics will be conducted this month for residents who have already been fully vaccinated at least 6 months ago with the Pfizer vaccine. Notifications will be sent out to residents who qualify and we will request confirmation as to whether you would like to receive the booster.

As we are approaching the annual flu season, the vaccine to protect you from influenza will also be available beginning in the next few weeks. Your Social Worker and/or Nurse will be in contact with you to arrange the flu shot.

As always, please contact your Social Worker if you have any questions or for further assistance.

Best regards,

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