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Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Dear Resident / Representative:

The Veterans Home continues efforts to prevent the spread and impact of the coronavirus. The safety and wellbeing of all residents is our top priority. The Infection Prevention and Control Committee meets regularly to respond to our current situation, review new guidance, and work closely with our health department contacts.

We had no resident and four staff test positive this past week. We have had eighty-seven residents and two hundred and four staff who have tested positive or presumptive positive at least once since testing became readily available.

We continue to monitor the COVID transmission level in Chenango County. It is high so any staff not up-to-date on their COVID vaccinations will continue to be tested twice a week and we will alert you of all positive results.

We hope that you will be joining us for the Family Picnic next week on Wednesday. It will be held outside under tents and we will be following all infection prevention and control practices. We look forward to a nice day!

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

Respectfully,

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