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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.

As we reported last week, we are still waiting for clear direction from New York State regarding changes that have already been enacted by the federal government to how nursing homes should be handling our COVID-19 response. As soon as we have something definitive, we will let you know.

We had no residents or staff tested positive this past week. No Neighborhood is currently in quarantine status. Residents and staff continue to be tested for COVID-19 if they meet qualifying conditions. You will be notified of all positive results.

Please follow the visitation guide, available on our website or at Security, when visiting. Visitors should still consider postponing visits if COVID-19 positive, sick, or exposed to someone with COVID-19. Please pay attention to precaution signs when visiting and follow the directions. They will help protect you and others.

During this Memorial Day weekend, we thank our veterans and families for your sacrifice and service to our nation. We are honored and privileged to serve you.

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

Respectfully,

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