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Dear Family Member,

As many of you know, there has been a spike of positive COVID cases, particularly the Delta variant, across the State and Nation. I urge you to be cautious when visiting your loved one here at the ECF. If you do not feel well, please stay home. Although not required at this time, I encourage you to be tested prior to your visit using our testing center. I am also encouraging you to be vaccinated if you have not done so already.

In my last communication, I stated that visitors have been very good about following our infection control protocols. This week, we did have a couple incidents that required our staff to remind visitors of some of the requirements. I cannot stress enough the need for your cooperation in following the guidelines. We do not want to ask visitors to leave for not following our policy, but will if necessary. Please note that current visiting hours are 9:30am-11:30am and 2:00pm-5:00pm daily.

This week, employees who have not been vaccinated were COVID tested. As of today, we do not have any positive employee or resident cases.

Please visit www.oneidahealth.org to review our Visitor Response Plan for the ECF. You will also find information on how to be tested at Oneida Health and where you may receive the COVID vaccine.

Once again, thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Fortunato Scerbo III

Administrator