

January 8, 2022

## Dear Family Member,

I wanted to take some time to update you on the COVID situation effecting our Extended Care Facility. As we continue regular testing of all staff and residents, we have had more staff members test positive for COVID. Three additional residents have tested positive. I am sad to say one of our residents has passed away due to complications involving COVID. We now have ten COVID positive residents. As of right now, all seven previous positives are doing well and on the road to recovery. The three new cases are currently stable.

We currently have twelve positive staff members who have been sent home to quarantine. This is definitely creating an extremely challenging environment for the remaining staff to care for our residents. I encourage you to hold off visiting in-person for a couple weeks due to such high positivity rates in the community and to prevent potential spread within our facility. Positive residents have been cohorted together. Residents who may have been exposed to the positive residents have been isolated and ALL residents continue to be monitored closely. Our staff are exercising the appropriate infection control precautions, including the use of N95 respirators, isolation gowns, face shields and proper hand hygiene.

I'd like to remind you that the ECF will require all visitors to wear a medical grade mask in place of personal cloth face coverings. Masks will be provided to you upon entering the facility. We feel these masks will provide better protection to you, our residents and our staff. We are also requiring hand hygiene, gowns and face shields where necessary.

As always, thank you for your continued prayers and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Fortunato Scerbo III

Administrator