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Dear Fellow Employees,

We continue to do very well in regards to our response to the ongoing COVID 19 pandemic. Although many now feel that the pandemic is over, it remains a problem for many. An article I reviewed yesterday indicated that 450 Americans are still dying of COVID 19 every day. To me, that is an indicator that if you are not vaccinated, you should rethink that decision and discuss with your primary care provider. If not vaccinated, please ensure that you maintain appropriate protection for yourself and your loved ones.

As of today, we continue with 0 COVID positive inpatients and 0 COVID positive ECF residents. The majority of our ECF residents are vaccinated which results in a significant protection for them. We still from time to time have an unvaccinated employee in the ECF present COVID positive which results in our having to retest all of the residents in the ECF as well as stop visitation. Again, due to the fact that the majority of residents are now vaccinated, we have had no outbreak as a result of a COVID positive ECF employee.

I have attached to today's update some information from the Madison County Health Department. There is one flyer regarding June and July immunization clinics that are being offered. There is also a flyer on "I'm fully vaccinated! Where do I need to wear a mask?" A third flyer discusses the COVID 19 scholarship incentive program for 12-17 year olds. And finally, a flyer regarding NYS Excelsior Pass for those who have been vaccinated. I hope you find this information helpful. Please feel free to share these with your family and friends.

As always, your questions are welcome. Please address those to [anarrow@oneidahealth.org](mailto:anarrow@oneidahealth.org) and a response will be provided as soon as possible.

Once again, I thank you all for providing exceptional care to members of our community.

With Sincerest Gratitude,

Gene F. Morreale