



May 17, 2020

Dear Fellow Employee,

Hats off to mother nature for giving us a beautiful Sun Day! For those of you at work today, thank you for being there for our patients, residents and your co-workers. Hopefully, many more days like this are coming.

Not much new since yesterday. We did have a very successful front circle testing program yesterday. Our nurses tested a total of 71 persons. We also tested 6 additional patients yesterday in Quick Care, ED. Therefore, when I share the testing numbers today, you will notice the high number of pending results. We should receive many of those results tonight and tomorrow.

Mary Parry, our COO is on calls every day with the health department. This is 7 days per week requirement. She also has to complete data gathering forms each day, again 7 days per week, for the Health Departments and CMS, tallying our COVID numbers as well as our PPE inventory numbers. On today's call, she was informed that the Upstate Mobile Van will be at the County Building this coming Thursday and in Morrisville on Friday. The Oneida Walmart/Quest testing program will start on May 22nd and I believe will run three days per week. As more information is made available, I will share with you.

We have tested a today of 1605 individuals, 1333 negative, 137 positive and 135 pending. For testing areas, Elective Surgery 6/0 positive, Inpatient 7/0 positive, ED 0/1 positive from previous day and Practices 5/0 positive. We currently do not have any positive inpatients with 6 inpatient tests pending. We continue to make progress in testing as well as number of negatives. I hope that trend continues with fewer and fewer positives and fewer hospitalizations due to COVID.

I will close by thanking all who are at work today and those coming in this afternoon and evening. Everyone, please keep up the great work that you are doing. It is making a positive difference in our outcomes.

With Sincerest Gratitude,

Gene F. Morreale
President and CEO