COVID-19 UPDATE

1-24-2022—Positive Staff/GI Virus

Dear Residents and Family Members:

Since our last posting on 1/19/22, there has been only one resident that tested positive today for COVID-19. That resident was relocated to the designated Covid section to isolate. Most of the residents in the designated COVID section have completed the required isolation period and were cleared to return to their rooms. As previously reported, there are four COVID positive employees isolating that have not yet returned to work. In addition, our testing efforts identified two more staff members testing positive, one on 1/22 and another one today, and they are now isolating at home. All results have been reported to the New York State and Dutchess County Departments of Health.

While always trying to remain optimistic, it looks like we jumped the gun and reported that the facility was rid of the GI virus. Unfortunately, there are now 7 residents on Unit 1 North with GI symptoms. All tested negative for influenza and COVID, but Norovirus results are pending. Similar to the last outbreak, we are strongly discouraging visitation to residents on 1 North until 48 hours have passed with no new cases identified.

For friends and families that choose to visit, please remember you must present with a negative rapid COVID test with 24 hours of your visit, or within 48 hours of your visit, if you had a PCR test done. A securely-fitted paper surgical mask must be in place at all times while in the building, and diligent hand washing prior to, during and after your visit is required.

With so many viruses circulating in our region at this time, **if you are feeling unwell or have had contact with a sick or COVID-positive individual, PLEASE postpone your visit to LCC!** In the meantime, stay connected with your loved one via one of the virtual visit methods available. If you require assistance with that, Carolyn and her team are here to help, and resident-specific concerns can be addressed by the nurse managers and our social workers. General facility information can be located on this website, so check it frequently.

Be safe and be well!

Patricia Ludington, RN Administrator