## **COVID-19 UPDATE**

## 1-13-2021 – COVID Positive Results

Dear Residents and Family Members:

As of yesterday, the Governor confirmed that 665,172 COVID vaccine doses were administered to New York residents, but of all tests performed yesterday in the state, the positivity rate remains above 7 percent. As per a NYS Department of Health directive, all nursing homes in the State must, again, test their staff twice a week which LCC has implemented this week.

Since our last posting on Monday, we have identified three positive residents, one on 1/12 and two today, 1/13/21. Those residents were transferred to our designated COVID unit where they will be monitored and will quarantine for 14 days. There were no new resident transfers to the hospital. Additionally, between yesterday and today, three staff persons tested positive, and they were instructed to quarantine at home for 14 days. Contact tracing to identify any other residents and/or staff that may have been exposed is in progress.

I am heartbroken to report that LCC lost three residents to the COVID-19 virus between yesterday and today. Our hearts are heavy, and our thoughts and prayers go out to their families and friends. All positive results, as well as COVID-related deaths were reported to the New York State and Dutchess County Departments of Health.

Following new guidance from the Centers for Disease Control, individuals age 65 and up and immunocompromised New Yorkers are eligible to schedule appointments to receive the vaccine. As we continue to see the devastating toll this virus is taking on our country, I implore all our family members and friends that are eligible to get vaccinated—to protect you, your loved ones, and our healthcare workers. In addition, you must continue to physically distance, get tested, and always don your mask in public!

Our Nurse Managers, Social Workers and our Director and Assistant Director of Nursing are available to answer your questions and to provide any support or information you may require.

Please continue to monitor this website for additional information, if necessary.

Patricia Ludington, RN Administrator