

## **COVID-19 UPDATE**

### **1-11-2021 – COVID Positive Results**

Dear Residents and Family Members:

On Friday, the Governor reported that 3.2 million additional New Yorkers will now be eligible to receive the COVID vaccine. While we are encouraged by this news, the virus rages on in the State. On Sunday, we received positive COVID results for three residents, so they were transferred to our designated COVID unit where they will be monitored and will quarantine for 14 days. There are 14 residents in the hospital currently, but we are relieved and grateful that there were no new resident transfers to the hospital this weekend. Additionally, between Friday and Saturday, 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.

Sadly, LCC lost two residents to the COVID-19 virus between Friday and Saturday. Our hearts are heavy, but our thoughts and prayers remain with 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.

Despite the disheartening news over the weekend, I am pleased to report that 11 of our LCC staff have completed their required quarantines and returned to us. We are so happy that there will be additional staff to not only care for the residents, but also to provide more one to one interactions and activities for them until their families can visit again. Please continue the virtual visits until that time comes. The second dose of the COVID vaccine is scheduled to be administered here on January 20 to both residents and staff, so we remain hopeful.

Our Nurse Managers, Social Workers and our Director and Assistant Director of Nursing recognize that some of you may want more information on your loved ones at this time, so they are all available to offer any support or information they can to allay your concerns.

Despite the fact that more individuals are getting vaccinated, the recommendations from the CDC and DOH have not changed and will not in the near future, so get tested, physical distance and avoid crowds, and always wear your mask in public!

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

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