

## LUTHERAN CARE CENTER

**October 10, 2023—Covid Positive Resident/Staff**

**\*MASK MANDATE IN EFFECT\***

Dear Residents and Family Members:

The holiday may be over, but the Covid-19 scourge is not! Over the weekend, we identified one new resident and two staff members testing positive for the virus. The resident was placed on transmission-based precautions with those currently recovering, and the staff was instructed to isolate at home. Most of the cases remain on the affected unit for now, so we hope that trend continues. All results were reported to the NYS and local Departments of Health, and we continue to adhere to their testing guidance.

**During this outbreak, staff and visitors will be required to wear a mask while in the building.** The Flu vaccine was administered to our residents last week, and the updated Covid vaccines are next in the queue.

Unfortunately, we suspect “patient zero” for this outbreak may have been a visitor, so if you are feeling unwell, have any of the symptoms of a respiratory illness, or may have been exposed to someone with Covid, please do NOT visit the facility. If you’re unsure, it’s better to be safe than sorry. Please notify the receptionist, and we will test you if you haven’t received your new supply of free home tests from the government.

Not visiting in person does not mean you can’t stay connected to your loved one. Our virtual visitation is available until it’s safe for you to return to us, so let us know if you or your resident requires assistance.

If you have any questions, please contact your nurse manager or our social workers for more information and check this site frequently for updates. Stay well!

Pat Ludington, RN  
Administrator