

COVID-19 UPDATE

1-7-2021 – COVID Positive Results

Dear Residents and Family Members:

As discussed in our last posting, two Infection Preventionists from the New York State Department of Health visited the facility on 1/5/21 to evaluate an uptick in positive COVID-19 test results. LCC was proactively seeking any infection control recommendations that could be implemented to minimize transmission of the virus. Mixed is the best way to describe my feelings regarding their findings as no apparent gaps in our procedures were identified. While I am very pleased with those results, I am also disappointed that there is no obvious solution to the situation. The few recommendations offered were limited to signage and, possibly, non-necessary use of some PPE by staff.

Lab results received since yesterday include eight COVID positive residents and four new staff positives. The affected residents were transferred to the designated COVID unit for observation and required quarantines. Positive staff was informed and 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. New resident transfers to the hospital for evaluation totaled four in this same time period. All results were reported to the New York State and Dutchess County Departments of Health.

Your resident-specific questions or concerns can be addressed by the Nurse Managers, Social Workers and the Director of Nursing, so contact them for any support or information you require.

As LCC, as well as the entire country, continues the battle against this virus, we know that it is becoming more challenging to stay strong and hopeful. However, we must remain vigilant--get tested, physical distance, and always wear a mask in public!

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

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