



March 2, 2023

Dear Family Members/Responsible Parties:

I want to provide a brief COVID update for everyone at this time. The last remaining Hope house resident who had remained on Pines house has now fully recovered and was returned to Hope house. The current resident on Pines is asymptomatic at this point and recovering well. Unfortunately, we did have one (1) new case today on Garvin house which would represent the end of the potential exposure period from the cases last week. This resident was moved to Pines house and will start on the antiviral treatments. The remaining residents and staff were tested and all were negative. All of the residents and family members were updated accordingly. Follow-up surveillance testing will occur on March 4<sup>th</sup>. In addition, we did have two (2) new staff cases today and both were non-direct care staff with no resident exposure. They were removed from work until successful completion of the appropriate quarantine period per CDC & DOH protocol.

The facility remains diligent with performing disinfecting & sanitizing procedures in the resident spaces as a precaution and I encourage all family members to exercise additional caution with visitation. If you feel sick or have any mild symptoms, please consider staying home for a day or so to recover and don't risk passing the virus to your loved one and potentially other residents & staff. Further, please adhere to the infection prevention & control protocols while you visit—wear your mask properly and at all times, socially distance, and avoid unnecessary contact with others beyond your family member. I encourage those who have not already gotten the bivalent Covid booster for their loved one to strongly consider it, and remember that we can provide either Pfizer or Moderna at the facility on Thursdays during our vaccine clinic.

If you have any questions then, please call your social worker, Cathy Davis (RN Director of Nursing), or myself. Thanks again for all that you do to keep our residents safe.

Best wishes,

Rich McCune  
Administrator