

Good afternoon everyone! Please see our updates for this week.

Testing Update:

As the community spread of the Coronavirus is at an alarmingly high rate, we are pleased and grateful to report that we have had a decrease in positive results among staff and residents this week. We are hopeful, but remain guarded in our efforts.

We continue to test staff twice a week and residents weekly. While this does mean that we will continue to be in quarantine, we do pray that if things continue to remain stable, we may be able to relax the quarantine within the coming weeks.

Holiday Deliveries:

As Christmas approaches, we know that many of you will be sending in special things for the residents to celebrate the holidays. Please remember the following guidelines:

- Live trees or wreaths are not permitted.
- No perishable or home baked goods are permitted.

Holiday Celebrations:

We are so grateful for the support of our families. We know that many of you will also want to send in special treats for our staff. While we appreciate these gestures, especially this year, we must remain vigilant in our efforts to decrease any possible exposure to the virus or spread among staff. One of the most high risk behaviors is when someone is unmasked. Therefore, staff is not permitted to be unmasked on the units.

This means that no parties or food treats can be permitted for social or public consumption. We ask that you please do not send in any treats for the staff. We know this is difficult but it is so important to the success of our efforts.

However, we certainly want to make the holidays special for our staff. That is why we are hosting a controlled staff meal on December 17th. Staff will be provided a bagged, hoagie luncheon that they will be able to take with them. If you feel so inclined to donate a special treat to our staff this year, this would be one way you could recognize them. We will make sure to recognize your family as a part of this luncheon. If you have questions about staff recognition efforts please email me directly.

As always thank you for your continued prayers and support! We have begun to decorate the entire house for the Christmas Season! Things are beginning to look very festive.

We are also looking into some new innovative ways to make window visits more enjoyable over the winter and holiday months.

Thank you and God Bless!

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