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MEMO

TO: All Residents, Responsible Parties and Employees

FROM: Rod Mason, President/CEO

RE: COVID Positive Results Update

DATE: November 24, 2020

As we shared with you earlier, now that Adams County's overall positivity has climbed above 10% over a 7-day period, and continues to climb, Swiss Village and other providers like her must test all employees now twice per week. We just tested the employees last Wednesday, now we tested again yesterday and will test again this coming Wednesday. Yesterday's testing of 230 employees revealed only five employees who need to have their test results shipped out for confirmation testing via the PCR collection after a positive result on the POC "Rapid Test", given the fact that all five employees were totally asymptomatic. For now, we will not include these five results in our total numbers until we receive said confirmation. However, we were informed of another employee who tested positive after testing prior to returning to work from an extended absence due to school. We have had several such cases of employees being away from work due to school, coming home and wanting to work while home on break, testing prior to their return, only to find that they had contracted the virus somewhere somehow. Those positive cases also count against our totals. We also tested our nursing residents again yesterday and we found three additional residents that tested positive – again, all three totally asymptomatic. All three were immediately relocated to our Westenfeld Hot Zone for a ten-day quarantine period. We therefore stand, as of today, at 73 total employees, 7 contract employees and 65 residents having tested positive since the start of the pandemic period. Easily 98% of these cases having arrived suddenly with the explosion of cases within our County over the last five weeks. Our count of deaths attributed to COVID-19 still stands at six.

For recoveries, we are pleased to report that we have 57 employees, all 7 contract employees and today we are moving two more residents back to their original rooms as they are coming out of their quarantine, taking total resident recoveries up to 50! Again, we are most pleased that so many of our cases have been rather insignificant, but still, we are taking each case seriously as the overall health and well-being of our resident family and employee family is our top priority!

I need not reiterate the news stories and/or requests of the CDC and other top health officials, but we understand the difficulties of not visiting nor seeing family and loved ones around the Holidays. This is a very critical juncture in the timing of the national crisis... visitations can only serve to further the spread of this virus even more than what we are seeing today. Please refrain, this year, from the temptation to ignore the professionals. Remain home, visit by phone, facetime or zoom... it will be worth it, in the long run! Continue to practice all the safe hygienic practices to which we always refer. And please join me in daily praying for a rapid end to this period of pandemic. I know we are getting there... each day... closer! We will make it there, **together!**