



Swiss Village, Inc.

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MEMO

TO: All Residents, Responsible Parties and Employees

FROM: Rod Mason, President/CEO

RE: Testing results and visitation

DATE: May 4, 2021

Good morning! Yesterday morning, another contracted employee reported for work and was screened at our Kiosks. The answers given resulted in an immediate test which resulted as positive. This person works in the same area as our last-reported positive case. On Friday we tested all residents of the nursing facility and any additional residents with whom the first employee had worked. All tests were **negative**. Yesterday we tested all (289) employees as a directed course of action whenever a positive case is identified. All employees tested **negative!** As mandated, due to the positive cases that we now have, we will test all residents and employees every three to seven days until we have gone for fourteen days without a new positive case. Hoping that we have contained the spread and no additional cases will be found.

Due to the fact that these contract employee cases are isolated and all of the residents with whom they have worked have been vaccinated and the individuals wore masks, AND since all other employees and residents have tested negative, we will return to our prior level of opening and reduced restrictions, once again, in the Health Care Center as of tomorrow (Wednesday) morning. Haircare, Dining and Activities can return as soon as today. We have increased our level of monitoring of all nursing residents, in particular the residents with whom these employees worked, and we will complete several rounds of additional testing out of abundance of caution over the next two weeks. Swiss Village continues to hold, as a priority, the protection, safety and well-being of all residents and employees, and will stop at nothing to ensure so accordingly. We continue to follow all mandated guidance from our licensing agency (Indiana State Department of Health), and CMS and CDC as they continue to migrate into fresh and new perspectives of understanding of where things now stand.

Today, our historical numbers are: 115 employees, 9 contract employees, and 69 residents have contracted the COVID-19 sickness. Of those numbers all 115 employees, 7 contract employees and 63 residents have returned to full health and recovered. Six of our residents passed away while they also had the virus.

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding. We understand that it is very inconvenient to have to suddenly change plans for visitation – in particular for those of you who had traveled for hours, only to learn upon arrival that we had shut the building only moments prior to your arrival. We apologize sincerely. The nature of this beast is that we must be prepared to immediately respond to any potential outbreak and go from there. Please continue to pray as you have been; continue to practice the three Ws; and PLEASE get the vaccine as quickly as you are eligible. The return to normalcy relies upon it. We will get through this **together!**