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MEMO

TO: All Residents, Responsible Parties and Employees  
FROM: Rod Mason, President/CEO  
RE: Weekly Update – Back on Track  
DATE: September 23, 2020

Greetings! Today's update is basically a reminder of where we stand as pertains to our current situation of facility-quarantine due to a positive COVID test. I said "a" because this really is about only one case of the COVID virus in a resident in our Residential Living area (as reported late last week, the two employee positive tests from the week prior turned out to be false-positives, but we still had the focused period of time to endure quarantine with the resident-positive test – and the resident was tested twice to confirm the outcome). The good news beyond this **one** case is that our facility testing of all employees, all residents in healthcare, plus several close contacts of this one resident case last week... all tests returned **negative!** However, the new rules out from the CMS headquarters, as I have stated previously, requires us to test all Nursing residents and all employees every three to seven days when any positive cases are brought forth for at least 14 days. Last week was the first, today we will test the employees again, and tomorrow we will test the nursing residents again. If the outcome this week is the same as it was last week (no positive tests revealed) then on Sunday, we will reopen the facility back up to where things were prior to this current lockdown. I am very sorry for the inconvenience that this lockdown causes... this is not what any of us would like to see imposed... but an abundance of caution at this time is what prevention-of-spread is all about! Thank you for your endurance and for your patience during this time! Incidentally, the Department of Health visited us late last Friday to inspect our Infection Control measures and how we were administering the mandated quarantine. We passed with flying colors! No deficiencies!

We will reach out to you with the outcomes from this week's tests, likely on Friday. But please remember, our current lockdown/quarantine is for everyone on the South Campus. You are to remain on campus until Sunday. With good testing results this week we will reopen on Sunday morning! AND with those good results, outdoor/indoor visitation will commence on Monday! Please remain in your unit/apartment with the exception of getting some exercise in the hallways or out on the grounds of the South Campus. Please do not lounge in the lounges, nor be creative in the creative arts areas on Main Street. The Beauty shops are closed until at least next Monday. Please do not walk alongside anyone that is not currently residing with you in your unit. I know this is very hard, folks, but it is honestly for your safety and your well-being. We must take this virus serious and do our best to contain and control it! Thank you for your understanding.

In the meantime, please remember to practice the good hygienic practices that we have been touting all along! If you need a reminder, please turn to our webpage and review the standards under the COVID Information link at the top of the page! And... if you need anything at all – just call!

We covet your prayers and we fully know that we will get through this **together!!**