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Dear Residents, Families and Co-workers,

Campus Update

Happy Spring everyone! Hoping you had a wonderful Easter.

York County's positivity rate has increased from 9.3% to 11.6%. This has placed York County in a red zone which means our county is seeing increased positive Covid-19 results. As a result of this high positivity rate above 10% we will be increasing the testing of all staff. The UK Variant has now been identified in every state. We will continue all infection control practices to monitor and prevent the spread of Covid-19.

We want to encourage and offer all new staff and residents the Covid-19 vaccine, so we are working with Brockie Pharmatech to hold continuous clinics in groups of 5's on our campus. We are very fortunate to have a vaccine available through Brockie Pharmatech. Brockie is now receiving and administering the Johnson and Johnson vaccine. This is a one-time vaccine. If you are interested in discussing or receiving this vaccine, please call Dee Loughlin at 717-646-3787.

The following is a brief update of the COVID status and reopening plans for each of our levels of care on our Hanover Homewood campus.

CDC has released new information regarding domestic travels. If vaccinated, there is no need to quarantine post travel. If unvaccinated, you should stay home and self-quarantine for a full 7 days after travel. Monitor for symptoms and get tested if symptoms occur.

Independent Living (IL)

We currently do not have any active Covid-19 concerns in Independent Living.

At this time masks continue to be required on the campus as well as social distancing and good hand hygiene.

The IL reopening plan is evaluated weekly and adjustments are made. This plan can be located on our Homewood website for review. Our pool and fitness center is open by appointment, and group activities continue. The Windows dining room capacity has been increased to 75% and this is going very well. We hope you are enjoying some time in the Windows Dining room. Outside seating is available at Windows. We continue to be focused on your safety and continue to require at least 6ft of social distancing while seated. Masks must be worn when not seated. We are working to allow several living units to be seated together, however the social distancing requirements must be met. Our church services in the Omni have been increased to 25 people each Sunday at 8:30am. Our goal is to continue to be progressive with our path to recovery.

Personal Care

The Personal Care areas (Creekside and Terrace Living) are "green zones" at this time. This means we do not have any staff or residents with Covid concerns and the dining, activity programs, and visitation are open. Visitation is currently by appointment.

Health Care Center

As we see the positivity rate increasing in York County, we know this puts us at risk to see Covid on our campus. On March 25/26th we did identify through routine antigen testing two asymptomatic positive co-workers who work in the health care area, specifically Care Central. These co-workers have completed their quarantine and returned safely to work. We are happy to report that at this time all ongoing testing has shown no more positive results and no transmission has been identified. This means our unit who is currently in a “yellow zone” with heightened precaution can go to a “green zone” this Saturday if no further tests return with concerns. The best result from being “green” is our ability to have open dining, programming and visitations. We will still follow the core principles of infection control and require masks, social distancing, and hand hygiene. All visitations continue to be by appointment.

Virtual visits/calls, window visits are also available. We would be happy to set up a visit, please contact Karen Baranauskas at 717-637-4166.

We are very thankful for our staff and residents who have received the vaccine, as they do their part to protect themselves and our campus and we pray for continued success as we plan for our future. If you would like to receive the covid-19 vaccine, please contact Dee Loughlin at 717-646-3787.

Blessings to all and please continue to be safe,

Karen Coleman, NHA

Executive Director