

**ALL STAFF/FAMILIES/RESIDENT ALERT:**

This notice is to let everyone know that we have received the results of testing that was done on Thursday 12/24/20. We are proud to announce **NO NEW CASES** with this round of testing. Staff were all tested last Monday and staff and resident/tenants on Wednesday/Thursday. Yesterday (12/28/2020) we tested all of the staff again with no new cases of COVID-19 identified. This means that currently we have no positive residents, no one that remains in precautions, and all staff have returned to work. This news is the best Christmas present ever!

**The COVID-19 vaccine has been approved and the vaccination is coming!**

At this time we have been given a tentative vaccination date of January 13<sup>th</sup> from 11am-5pm. We are awaiting confirmation of this date from CVS pharmacy. What we know at this time is that CVS will come out to vaccinate all of our staff and residents. They will receive the Moderna vaccine, a series of 2 shots, 28 days apart. We are including a couple of documents for your reference to educate yourself related to the vaccine. Also attached is the 2 page consent that will need to be completed for each person to be vaccinated. ***It will be essential that we get everyone's new insurance cards. We will need their pharmacy/prescription cards as well as new insurance cards ASAP, there will be no cost of the vaccine to anyone but insurance will be billed by the pharmacy for the cost of administration.***

**What we will need:**

- **A completed consent form**, these will be available the day of testing: We will be contacting resident representatives as needed to obtain consents. Please review the consent form at the link below.
- **Copies of everyone insurance cards**: Most people have gotten or will be getting new cards at the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year. **WE WILL NEED A COPY OF THE NEW CARD, FRONT and BACK**

Consent form preview:

<https://info.omnicare.com/rs/095-VIX-581/images/COVID%2019%20Vaccine%20Intake%20Consent%20Form.pdf>

Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine Fact Sheet:

<https://www.modernatx.com/covid19vaccine-eua/eua-fact-sheet-recipients.pdf>

COVID 19 Vaccination Frequently Asked Questions:

[https://info.omnicare.com/rs/095-VIX-581/images/COVID-19%20Vaccination%20FAQs\\_V2.pdf](https://info.omnicare.com/rs/095-VIX-581/images/COVID-19%20Vaccination%20FAQs_V2.pdf)

CDC's Questions about New COVID-19 Vaccines:

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/downloads/hcp-employees-general-faqs.pdf>

We know that we have people on both sides of the fence for receiving the vaccine. We cannot make anyone receive the vaccine but it will be essential to our community to have everyone receive the vaccine. We need to protect each other, our residents/tenants and our families. It is our hope that if everyone were to receive the vaccine by the spring we will have created a safe environment for our residents to return to a more "normal" way of living, maybe even mask free in our building. If you have questions related to the vaccine, please do not hesitate to ask. I am including my personal e-mail and will do my best to provide you with the best resource possible to find your answers to any questions or concerns. [khiles@blhcc.org](mailto:khiles@blhcc.org)

As we look forward to 2021 we do so with HOPE. Everyone is ready for this year to be over, turning the page on the calendar won't magically erase all the hardship 2020 has brought, but it will provide us with HOPE that the days ahead will be brighter, better, and provide us with options to move ahead. For our residents/tenants and staff the vaccine is our best option.

Sincerely,

Mark Rust Administrator

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