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The results of our second round of COVID-19 testing are complete.....

We are so excited to say we have completed the second round of point prevalence testing for COVID-19 and all staff and residents are **negative**. We could not be more proud. These results show us once again the hard work, dedication and patience everyone exhibits every day to protect our most vulnerable population. We feel blessed as we know there are many other facilities that have not been this fortunate.

We have one more week of testing planned. If all of those tests are negative we will be done testing **at this time**. If we have a positive case develop down the road we may be required to return to facility wide testing.

We continue to work closely with our Emergency Preparedness Coalition, Minnesota Department of Health, and Leading Age of MN. We are updated regularly on CDC recommendations and guidance and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services regulations. Long term care remains in Phase 1 of the reopening process. Our next step this week is new guidance related to window visits. Please see below on how our facility will move forward with this.

#### Open Window Visit Guidance:

- 1) Person visiting must be 8ft from the window, per MDH guidance both visitor and resident should be wearing a mask. Stand behind the line spray painted in the grass.
- 2) Please call in advance if possible to ensure that your loved one is in their room, ready to be visited, and window can be opened.

#### Closed Window Visit Guidance:

- 1) If you would like to be close to the building the window must remain closed to maintain social distancing.
- 2) Call the facility or your loved one to talk to them over the phone during your visit.

\*\*\*All window visits must comply with social distancing requirements. Visitors must keep at least 6 feet away from people visiting other residents.

Please call with any questions or concerns!

Sincerely,

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Kendra Hiles, Director of Nursing

