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Dear Family Member,

We wanted to update you on our current status with COVID-19. We have completed our rapid testing at the Jewish Home at Rockleigh and are waiting for our PCR results at Jewish Home Assisted Living. There are seven active cases among the elders at the Jewish Home at Rockleigh. Of the seven, only one is symptomatic. All of these elders are on the COVID cohort unit being cared for by staff who work only on that unit. We have ten employees at Rockleigh who have tested positive, seven of them are symptomatic. And we have one employee at Jewish Home Assisted Living who is positive and also symptomatic. All contact tracing has been completed for both staff and elders and follow up testing has been done.

We continue to monitor this situation closely and are performing ongoing testing. We also continue to educate and re-educate on infection control and handwashing. Staff are all in appropriate PPE and are being reminded to use care in their personal lives. Please note that any private duty companion, who is not an employee of the Jewish Home through @HomeCare, must provide proof of a negative COVID test within seven days. If they cannot supply this information, they will not be allowed into the buildings. Aides through @HomeCare are tested with the same frequency and protocol as all other team members of the Jewish Home.

We have also put a hold on visiting, both outdoor as well as Essential Caregiver visits and we will re-evaluate visiting on Monday to determine what will take place next week. Window and virtual visits continue but, in the case of window visits, windows must remain closed and visitors must be wearing facemasks. Compassionate care visits for end-of-life will still be allowed and that will be permitted on a case by case basis.

This is a difficult, but not unexpected, situation. We know that the community spread is high and that New Jersey's numbers are, unfortunately, climbing. We can all do our part by maintaining social distance, wearing facemasks and practicing thorough and frequent handwashing.

Thank you for your understanding. Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

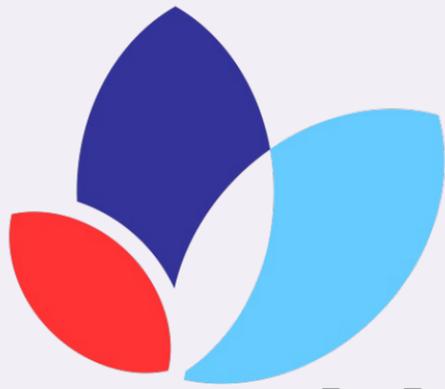
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