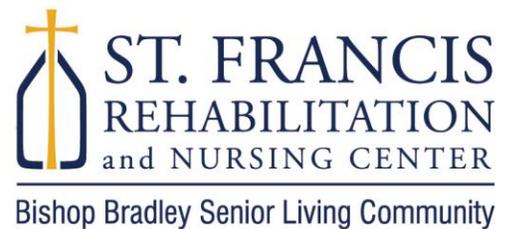


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Dear Residents, Tenants, Family Members and Employees,

I am writing to you to give you an update on things that are happening at St. Francis. This evening we had employee who tested positive on a rapid test after he stated that he was not able to taste anything. The employee is vaccinated and always wears a mask and eye wear during working hours. We have been in contact with Catholic Charities and will contact the NH Public Health Department in the am. The new guidance states that we can test employees and residents who had close contact with the positive employee. We have started PCR tests today. We will finish them tomorrow and get them to the public health lab. We will test again in 3-5 days. There is a limited number of employees and residents who were exposed to this employee. We will continue with communal dining and activities and keep those residents who were exposed in their room until the test results come back. The employees who were exposed will be wearing N95 masks and eye wear. The other employees may continue with surgical masks and eye wear. Based on test results they will give us further guidance on how to proceed. We will keep you updated with any changes that happen.

Please note that the many of our residents received the monoclonal antibodies from November 24-26 which should still be helpful in boosting their immunity.

The positivity rate of Covid 19 in our community is in the red zone. Belknap County is considered in substantial transmission. I would like to encourage you all to wear masks when you are in a public setting. This applies even to vaccinated people due to the different variants that are being discovered.

While we know this is an incredibly challenging time for you and your family, please be assured that we remain committed to the care and support of your loved one here at St. Francis. Their safety, health and well-being remain our firm commitment.

We will continue to keep you updated as time goes on.

God bless,

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