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Dear Residents, Tenants, Family Members and Employees,

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I wanted to send you an update on how things are going here at St. Francis. We have completed another round of testing on Monday and we had all negative tests for Covid 19. All of our residents are out of quarantine and doing well. We had 2 employees who have tested positive over this past week. Both were exposed to Covid 19 outside of the building of St. Francis. We have been in contact with the NH Public Health Department and Catholic Charities. We plan to do one more round of rapid tests on Monday, May 30. If these tests are negative then we will be considered out our outbreak status on June 1. We will keep you informed on the results of the testing. We are using rapid antigen tests, Binax cards for our testing and then alternating with PCR Covid testing on the next testing cycle. According to public health we continue in an outbreak status at this time.

Visitation guidelines remain the same. We are not restricting visitors. We have closed down to community dining and community activities for now as we do more testing to see if we have any others test positive.

Employees are currently wearing N95 masks and protective eye wear. Visitors are being asked to wear masks and eye wear also. The percent positivity rate is 9.54% and the case rate per 100,000 is 261 in Belknap County. These rates are considered in the high category according to the CDC. 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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Administrator