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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.

As of today, we have a total of 8 residents that have tested positive for Covid.

We have 1 employee who has tested positive as well. We are doing facility wide testing on all of our residents, tenants and employees. We did our first round of testing on Friday and Saturday. We are doing testing on Day 1, 3 and 5. The next round of testing will be tomorrow, January 2. The employee will be out of work for a quarantine period. Each of the residents will also be quarantined for a total of 10 days. We continue to monitor for any symptoms of covid among all of our residents, tenants and employees. We are continuing to follow the guidance from the NH Public Health Department and CMS. We are using the rapid antigen binax cards for our testing. Employees are wearing N 95 masks and are also wearing eye wear when we are near residents. The employees are wearing full PPE when the are in the resident rooms who have Covid.

All communal dining and communal activities for the residents have been stopped for now. Tenants are still eating in the main dining room.

Visitation guidelines remain the same. We are not restricting visitors. Visitors are to wear masks during their visits and to follow the educational handout we offer when they come in the entrance to St. Francis. The percent positivity rate is 10% in Belknap County. These rates are considered in the high category according to the CDC.

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,

Brenda Buttrick RN, LNHA
Administrator