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Dear Residents, Tenants, Family Members and Employees,

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This is an update on how things are going here at St. Francis. We had a second resident test positive for Covid 19 today. We now have six employees testing positive for Covid-19 as of today. We are now considered in outbreak status per the NH public health department. We continue to test employees and residents who had contact with these residents and employees within the past 3 days. We did facility wide testing today and we will be doing more testing on Thursday, July 27. So far, we have not had any additional positive tests. The employees will be out of work for a quarantine period. 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 tests cards for our testing. Our employees are wearing N-95 masks and we are encouraging visitors to do this as well.

Visitation guidelines remain the same. We are not restricting visitors. Visitors are encouraged to wear masks during their visits and to follow the educational handout on the core principles of infection control we offer when they come in the entrance to St. Francis.

We encourage any visitors who have any symptoms of Covid to refrain from visiting. If you are having any symptoms of Covid, we encourage you to be tested and will be happy to test you from your vehicle. Please call us on the phone to arrange testing from your vehicle. Please do not come into the building if you are having any symptoms. Symptoms of Covid include cold symptoms, cough, sore throat, fatigue and fever.

We continue to follow CMS guidelines for resident activities and resident dining. All of the programs are continuing at this time.

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