

WEEKLY UPDATE

January 15, 2021

Dear Residents and Families/Representatives,

Please accept this letter as our weekly update regarding the status of COVID-19 in our facility. Since the onset of this virus, we have had seventy residents and twenty-nine staff members test positive for COVID-19.

The Walgreens' team will return on January 20, 2021 to provide residents and staff with their second dose of the COVID 19 vaccine.

Walgreens will also be able to provide initial vaccinations for residents and staff on this date.

If your family member was not vaccinated at our initial clinic and you would like them to receive the vaccine, please coordinate with Michelle Dirks, Director of Nursing or Dianna Novak, Asst Director of Nursing before January 18, so we can obtain consent and notify the pharmacy to include them.

Their second dose would then be administered on February 10.

Walgreens has no further on-site clinics scheduled with our facility. We encourage you take advantage of this opportunity.

Our Washoe county positivity rate is currently at 21.6 % The high level precludes any visitation at the present time. We continue to offer facetime and welcome window visits in the interim.

As always, we are working hard to keep everyone in our community safe and we will continue to practice the enhanced safety precautions that are known to prevent the spread of COVID-19, such as only essential personnel are allowed inside the facility and we screen them for signs and symptoms of illness prior to entering. Our residents are continually monitored and staff is using PPE as recommended by the CDC. Staff is frequently reminded and encouraged to practice social distancing and to use hand sanitizer and frequently wash their hands when they are in the facility and out in the community. We ask them not to report to work if they have symptoms of illness.

Please continue to check our website for weekly updates as well as notification of new cases. As always, we will notify you if we receive confirmation of a new positive case in our facility and we will reach out to you individually if your loved one is displaying symptoms of COVID-19 or tests positive for COVID-19.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact us directly at 775- 829-7220.

Sincerely,

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