

Good afternoon,

It has been a while since we have sent you an update and we are happy to say that we have been doing well here keeping COVID-19 away from our home. **We do not currently have any positive cases of COVID-19.** We continue to monitor the Hamilton County positivity rate on a weekly basis and as many of you are aware, it has been steadily increasing over the last month. We are now at a level of 6.1%, which puts us into the moderate risk level for transmission of the virus. We have made the decision to require our staff to wear eye protection at all times, while also continuing to wear masks.

At this time, we are not limiting any visiting to our Home. We will continue to monitor the positivity rate of our county and make determinations as necessary for the safety of the Residents. We are continuing to ask visitors to wear surgical masks, and we will provide face shields when entering the Home. Visitors that are vaccinated may remove their masks and shields when they reach their destination for visiting (resident room, outside, etc) **Visitors who are not vaccinated must keep their masks and shields on for the entire visit.**

Please keep an eye out for information coming to families regarding flu shots. It is getting to be that time of year and there will be information coming to you for consent of the flu shots this fall. There will be consent forms that will need to be signed and returned to Barb Becker if you would like to have a flu shot administered to your family member/friend.

As always, if you have any questions or would like some additional information, please feel free to contact us at your convenience. Thank you for your support, and we hope to continue to keep Covid out of our home.

Sincerely,

Mother Marie Edward & Jenny Nijak, Administrator