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Dear Residents, Families & Friends,

The many challenges presented by COVID-19 are changing across our State and in our center. We were able to meet ongoing trials for many months without a positive resident case; however, we do have several residents who have tested positive at this time. As we were made aware of the first resident case, we immediately placed all communal activities on hold. All activities are being held in the resident rooms. We understand that this is not ideal however, we are reducing the possible risk of exposure since not all carriers exhibit symptoms.

We continue to screen staff and residents daily for signs and symptoms of active infection or elevated temperature, and we are testing all staff and those individuals actively involved in patient care (MD, PA, ARNP, lab and X-ray tech etc..) twice weekly for COVID 19 infection. We are working in conjunction with DOH to test all patients twice weekly unless patient is within 90 days of having recovered from COVID19. We encourage all staff and residents to get vaccinated. Although the vaccination does not guarantee one will not contract the virus, it is a protection from severe disease, hospitalization, need for ventilator etc... Staff and residents that have recently tested positive have been both vaccinated and unvaccinated.

Due to the center & community needs, we have re-structured our center into different areas. We now have established a COVID-19 unit for our patients, patients in the hospital that are not acutely ill and a unit for those that test negative. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience of the relocation of rooms that needed to happen during this transition. We hope everyone understands that we need to safely provide appropriate care to all our patients.

As a reminder, our COVID-19 reporting can be found on our website at: [www.Solarishalthcare.org](http://www.Solarishalthcare.org). We will continue our screening protocols, testing, in servicing, vaccinating, and consulting with the Dept. of Health to prevent the spread of further possible exposure. Please do not hesitate to contact the center if we can answer any questions.

Sincerely,

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Administrator