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Residents and Families,

We're grateful to report **no active cases of COVID-19 among residents or team members** in our community. We have two tests from team members still pending, but this would complete four rounds of negative test results in a two week time period. Although the negative test results opens the door for more of a return to normal, the community will maintain all high standards for infection control that have been enhanced throughout this experience.

In an abundance of caution, we will continue testing team members twice weekly until we are 28 days without a positive. Of the 826 tests administered in the last two weeks, none of them have been positive. We will not be testing residents until such time there is a known exposure or unless they become symptomatic.

Johnson County has released updated guidance for resuming visitations in senior living communities. We are finalizing our plan for reuniting families and loved ones and expect to have it finalized and approved by the county soon.

Please keep in mind that any newly identified cases of COVID-19 at Evergreen will delay resuming visitations for 14 days to minimize risk of spreading the virus per CMS regulation. Once we receive the remaining test results along with county approval for our reopening plan, we will communicate the visitation guidelines. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we actively work through this process.

Group activities with social distancing have resumed on the neighborhoods. Residents are asked to only participate in activities on the neighborhood they reside on at this time. We do require any resident participating in activities outside their room wear a mask at all times. We are working towards re-implementing communal dining with social distancing and hope to have implemented by the end of this week or first of next. Neighborhoods will be notified when communal dining is officially in place again.

We continue to encourage window visits, video calls and social media to stay connected with your loved ones in the meantime. Compassionate care visits are being scheduled as the need is identified by the interdisciplinary team.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jamie Paredes".

Jamie Paredes
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