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Residents and Families,

As reported last week, we received a rapid testing system for COVID-19 called the BD Veritor Plus. When we were first notified we would be receiving one of these systems, the guidance advised verifying the results with a test referred to as the gold standard of testing, PCR tests.

Today, a resident residing on Millcreek Drive was reported to be exhibiting symptoms similar to those that can be seen in individuals with COVID-19 therefore making them a person under investigation or PUI. Given this new technology at our disposal, we decided to test the resident. This residents results came back as positive on the rapid testing system. After contacting our medical director through KCMP, we were advised to test the entire neighborhood of residents and team members utilizing the rapid test and then follow up by utilizing the PCR test to verify results.

Through that testing, we identified another resident that tested positive. Both individuals that tested positive were immediately placed on isolation. Individuals they were known to be in close contact with were notified and placed on isolation separately. All weekend team members on Millcreek were tested using the rapid testing and all results came back negative. The results will be verified with the PCR testing. Weekday team members working on Millcreek will be tested as they arrive for their work day in the morning utilizing the rapid testing as well as the PCR test to verify results.

CMS introduced new guidance at the end of last week recommending testing of all residents and team members when the positivity rate is over 10% in the county. Given the positivity rate exceeds 10% in Johnson County, we will begin twice a week testing. As the results come in, we will keep you informed.

Please let me know if you have any specific questions that I can help answer.

Thank you,

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

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