To Our Village of Victory Lakes Residents and Family Members:

Today was a challenging day at the Village of Victory Lakes, in our continuing battle against the COVID-19 virus. Today we had two additional residents test positive for the virus. We continue to be inspired by all the notes of encouragement, the prayers and importantly, family members expressions of gratitude to our staff who are so valiantly working in the trenches with this. The support shown by all of you is a testament to the “family” of the Village’s associates, residents and family who have come together during this time. Your patience and understanding of the extraordinary efforts being taken to prevent the spread of the virus are appreciated.

On the positive side, we are anticipating a large supply of PPE (Personal Protection Equipment) to be arriving any day from the IEMA (Illinois Emergency Management Agency). We continue to be in daily contact with the Lake County Health Department and the Illinois Department of Public Health, following any additional guidance that is offered regarding the situation. At this time, the recommendation is to continue with the policies and procedures that we have in place that have been regulated by the CDC.

**Confirmed Cases Today:**

**Resident Case #1:**
This resident was admitted on 3/26/2020. They did not have a roommate at any time. The resident started exhibiting symptoms on 5/2/2020 and was immediately placed in isolation. On 5/03/2020 they were tested for the virus and on 5/6/2020 the test results yielded a positive result for COVID-19. The resident remains in a private room and is in isolation.

**Resident Case #2:**
This resident was admitted on 3/17/20. Once they completed their rehabilitation, they remained in the same room on the first floor. They initially had a roommate until symptoms developed on 5/4/20, at which time she was isolated on droplet precautions. We tested her on 5/5/20 and the family requested that the resident be sent to the hospital. Condell Hospital tested the resident and the results were positive on 5/6/20. The resident remains in the hospital.

**Important to note:** We continue to have a FULL supply of PPE for all staff, meaning masks, face shields, gowns and gloves are available for all staff that have direct contact with residents. As mandated by the state and local health departments and the CDC, the most important aspect during this crisis is to monitor everyone closely and treat for symptoms. Additionally, ALL of the infection prevention measures mentioned in previous memos remains in place.

**Containment Procedures:**
Resident continues to be monitored closely for the earliest signs or symptoms of COVID-19. If any signs or symptoms develop, a resident is immediately isolated. Associates continue to be screened daily when they report for work; if any screening element is noted to be abnormal, the associate is sent home.

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**Precautionary Measures:**

Our Infection Preventionist, along with our Head of Clinical and Infectious Disease Control are widening the visitor screening procedures, adding additional screening items to the list of current symptoms that we have been screening for. The skilled nursing unit has limited access to only staff assigned to that unit with no visitors allowed. The Village at Victory Lakes continues to restrict visitors and monitors those associates and residents, following CDC-regulated standards for infection control and to prevent any spread of the virus. The staff continues to maintain proper PPE recommendations and protocol, as defined by the local and state health departments and the CDC.

We understand that this is a time of anxiety and unknowns for the safety of you or loved ones. 100% of our efforts are geared towards the safety of your loved ones. Should you have any questions, please visit our Village of Victory Lakes Facebook page or the Franciscan Ministry COVID-19 Web Page - [www.franciscanministries.org/coronavirus-response/](http://www.franciscanministries.org/coronavirus-response/) for daily updates and information. For additional information, please visit the CDC’s coronavirus disease information page.

The safety of our residents and associates continues to be our most important concern.

Sincerely,

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