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To Our Residents, Resident Representatives and Family Members:

The COVID- 19 pandemic has been an unprecedented challenge and has forced us to make changes to our normal processes. We continue to follow all CMS and State guidelines as we focus on the safety and health of our residents and staff.

Currently, we are doing <u>twice</u> weekly Covid-19 testing of all staff and contractors in an effort to stop any spread of the virus within the facility.

As of today, we have the following:

Total Positive diagnosis for COVID-19: 5
Residents within the facility – 0
Residents outside the facility – 2
Staff- 3 staff member as of 10/20/20- Community acquired
of residents and staff with COVID symptoms within the last 72 hours – 0

At DCHC, we continue in Phase 2 of reopening. The community spread is very high at this time and we are monitoring staff and residents very closely. We ask that you do not attend any outdoor visits with the residents if there is a potential that you have been exposed to Covid-19.

As we continue in Phase 2, we are:

- Allowing the residents to spend time on their units outside of their rooms
- Allowing the residents to go outside to one of our Courtyards
- Allowing residents in small groups (less than 6) to have activities
- Allowing residents to eat in the dining room in small groups (less than 6)
- Allowing outdoor visitation with family and friends

We are continuing to send updates in our Family Newsletter and putting photos of the residents on Life Loop. Please reach out to the Nursing and Recreational Therapy Team to set up virtual visits in addition to your outdoor visits.

Thank you for allowing us to participate in the care of your loved ones.

Sincerely, DCHC Administration