## Coronavirus (COVID-19) Precautions Buffalo Lake Healthcare Center

## All Staff and Therapists:

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Our Governor Walz and other State leaders want you to know how greatly respected and appreciated <u>all</u> of you are. You are a *hero* for caring for our vulnerable residents during this challenging time.

If you have not completed the **Educare COVID-19** training module, you need to today. Your first name and the first four of your birthday. *Example:* Joe Smith with a birthday of 4/2/1992 username: joe0402 password: blhcc or blhcc1 if you were hired after 9/1/2018

The only way COVID-19 will get into our care center is if <u>we</u> bring it in. While most people who acquirer COVID-19 have mild to moderate symptoms, it can be *deadly* to our residents.

We are protecting our residents <u>and</u> co-workers by wearing masks and washing/sanitizing our hands frequently. When out in a public place, maintain social distancing and wear a mask. This is recommended by CDC.

<u>Do not come to work if you have any symptoms</u> (*dry cough, fever, shortness of breath and, now, diarrhea has been added to the list*). *Diarrhea is usually accompanied by other symptoms.* If you have any of these symptoms you should call your clinic to set up a COVID-19 test. **Be sure to tell them you work at a care center.** 

*If you test positive* <u>or</u> *are waiting results of a COVID-19 test*, you will be eligible for up to two weeks of paid sick leave (<u>your PPL hours will not be used for this</u>). You will be paid based on the average hours you work, up to 40 hours per week.

## **New Staff/Therapist screening procedure:**

When you first enter the north door (#11) we ask that you:

- 1. Sanitize your hands
- 2. Put on a mask
- 3. Take your temperature or have a co-worker help you.
- 4. Record your name and fill in the answers to the screening questions.

If you have any questions, you can use the radio (channel 1) to talk to a nurse – stay at that entryway until a nurse responds.