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Good afternoon residents, family and guardians,

I am pleased to inform you that we will be offering the COVID-19 vaccine to all residents on 12.29.2020. The vaccine will be administered by Walgreens who will be here in on 12.29.2020 from 9AM- 5PM.

All activated guardians/DPOAs will receive a consent form later this week from Walgreens for you to review and sign to give consent for your loved one to receive the vaccination on 12.29.2020. This vaccination is a two-step vaccine and the second dose has not been scheduled. Please return these consent forms by 12.26.2020 at the latest either via mail or dropped off at the facility. This is the only day we have scheduled for the vaccine as they are busy trying to coordinate getting the many other facilities in NH set up with this vaccine.

The staff here at St. Ann will also be offered the vaccination this same day. While I cannot make this vaccine mandatory for my team, I am strongly encouraging each of them to consider taking this vaccine, just as we have with the flu vaccine to safeguard themselves, their families, and those whom are in our care.

The vaccine has some of the same common reactions that other vaccines have which may include pain/redness/swelling at the injection site, fatigue, headache, muscle pain, and fever.

These symptoms have been present in those whom have already been vaccinated in people ranging from 18-55 years old.

Of note - there is NO LIVE virus in the COVID-19 vaccine

A person is NOT automatically immune to COVID-19 once they receive the vaccine - a vaccine takes a few weeks to build your immunity to the virus.

IF/WHEN a person has opted to be vaccinated - he/she will NOT test positive on a PCR COVID-19 test (the tests we have been getting with the National Guard) but you could test positive with an antibody test.

If you have any questions about the vaccine please contact Donna Nemet, DNS at sta.dns@nh-cc.org or 742-2612 for more information.

Thank you all for your assistance and consideration.

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