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Greetings from St. Ann,

COVID Update:

The county positivity rate of COVID in Strafford County continues to trend in the 6% range. If you have not been vaccinated, please consider doing so. COVID continues to gain momentum and so long as there are so many out there that have not been vaccinated, the virus continues to mutate, spread and infect those who are vulnerable- especially children who are not yet eligible to get the vaccine.

COVID Vaccine Mandate:

As I mentioned last week, CCNH issued a memo mandating that ALL staff are expected, as a condition of employment, to be fully vaccinated by October 31, 2021. Unvaccinated employees are expected to have their first COVID shot placed by September 13, 2021.

As a result of this mandate we are looking some great staff who not only have longevity within the organization, but have been great employees and assets to this facility throughout the years.

Resignations we have received include our scheduler/medical records keeper, the Life Enrichment Manager, a cook, and two dietary aides. These are all huge losses to the facility; however, I know this decision was difficult for each person to make, but it is our hope that their decisions are respected by their peers and know we will miss each of them.

COVID Booster Shots:

Our DNS is working with our pharmacy and make booster shots available to staff, residents and the tenants of Bishop Gendron available sometime in September. More to come as we get possible dates as there will be consent forms that will need to be completed.

Life Enrichment update from last week:

Monday, we started our week off with manicures, current events, and several rounds of lucky dice. Tuesday was all about music. We spent the day singing, playing musical trivia, along with lots of discussions on how music has changed over the years. Another wacky holiday this week was Dog Day. The residents made dog bones out of canned pumpkin for our furry friends, followed by an educational lesson on dogs. We continue with our regular programs of attending Mass, playing bingo, and of course partaking in hallway happy hour. We are excited to welcome our new part time activity assistant Patti who started on Tuesday.

We hope you all stay healthy as the pandemic continues its ramp up. Please wear a mask when indoors, practice social distancing and thorough hand washing. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Kindly,

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