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Greetings from St. Ann,

COVID Update:

The New Hampshire Department of Health & Human Services has provided us with new guidance for tracking positivity rates within the state. This guidance can be found in a CMS memo- Ref: QSO-20-38-NH *revised 9.10.2021*. We are now tracking the community transmission rate and today it was found to be 5.7%. We are now required to test all non-vaccinated staff (those who have already begun the vaccination process with their first shot administered by 9.12.2021). Next week we begin testing these folks 2x a week due to the substantial level of transmission here in New Hampshire.

COVID Booster Shots:

We have not received an update on when a COVID booster shot will be available. When we know more we will let you know as there will be consent forms that will need to be completed.

Flu Shots:

Flu shots will soon be here. We are planning to administer flu shots for our residents the last week of September

Staff Update:

Today we welcomed two new employees to the St. Ann family. Caitlin is our new Part Time Receptionist who will be working every other weekend and Cherrelle, a Full Time LNA working 11-7. Please help us in welcoming these new members to our team.

I am also pleased to report that we have offered the Director of Social Services/Admissions position to our candidate Nicole Silva and she has accepted the position. She will be joining the team on October 12th. (FT LNA)

Visitation Update:

All visitors- despite vaccination status are required to wear a face covering/mask while visiting with any of our residents. This is a change in our visitation procedures and will be monitored and enforced. We thank you in advance for your cooperation with this measure of safety for you and our residents.

Life Enrichment update from last week:

Last week we said goodbye to some of the wonderful staff here at St. Ann due to the COVID vaccine mandate. We are so sad by their decision to leave, but respect their decision to do so and wish them all the best. We started our week off with manicures and Labor Day chit chat. Tuesday, we played Wheel of Fortune attempted playing a little baseball and enjoyed popsicles on the porch. ON Wednesday we went to Mass at the chapel with Father Aggie and our friends from Bishop Gendron and later played trivia to see if we could stump our brains. On Thursday, we made homemade raisin oatmeal cookies and made the whole place smell amazing!!! Friday, we had a farewell send off for some of the staff with cake, cocktails and stories.

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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