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## *Family Ties*

*Special Edition*

### **COVID-19 Daily Update**

As we reported on Friday, we have experienced a positive test for COVID-19 with one of our employees. Obviously, this positive test report required an immediate response from us to minimize any danger to our residents and our staff. We will be providing daily updates for the time being to keep families up to date and to reassure you that we are doing everything in our power to control this new chapter in the pandemic.

**All Residents  
At SWH Are  
Healthy**

The affected employee and one close work associate were both quarantined at home as soon as symptoms were noticed and the employees were sent out to be tested. We will begin testing on all staff and residents starting today. Results of this testing will be made available as soon as we receive the results.

At this time, all residents are being quarantined in their rooms. Meals will be served to the residents in their rooms except for the apartment residents, who will be allowed to go to their dining room for meals. We have temporarily canceled all group activities including several outdoor music programs. Two scheduled campfire nights have been put on hold until after test results have been reviewed. One-on-one activities will be permitted except for beauty shop appointments, manicures and trishaw rides will be put on hold for a period of approximately two weeks.

We will also be re-establishing an isolation wing that will be used to care for any residents who may test positive during this period. We pray that we will not have to utilize such a facility, but we must be prepared.

We will be meeting every day to review our plans for handling this situation especially our activities programs. Having residents quarantined will present a real challenge for our Activities staff in particular and all of our staff in general. We will be looking for creative ways to continue activities that keep our residents active and engaged. We will update you regularly on what we are doing to minimize the disruption to the lives of the residents. We have, for quite some time, talked about establishing a happy hour here at SWH. We are going to begin this new activity starting this Thursday.

If there are questions or other information that would be helpful please do not hesitate to contact our Director of Nursing, Laura Anderson or Jackie Carley our Executive Director at 608-647-8931.

Your prayers and encouragement will be graciously accepted.



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