

LUTHERAN CARE CENTER

December 12, 2023—Covid Positive Resident/Staff

Dear Residents and Family Members:

While I'm always happy to communicate with our residents and family members, I just wish it was with more upbeat news. Well, it's been almost two months since I had to do this, so admittedly, it could be worse.

Over the last 24-48 hours, we identified two residents and two staff members testing positive for Covid-19. The residents were placed on transmission-based precautions, and the staff was instructed to isolate at home. All results were reported to the NYS and local Departments of Health. A number of residents were exposed to one of the positive individuals, so we have requested that those residents remain in their rooms until a second round of testing can be completed tomorrow. As always, we will continue to adhere to the NYS DOH testing guidance.

The progression of this outbreak is reminiscent of last year...Thanksgiving holiday...a lot of visitors to the facility...Covid outbreak! So, if you are feeling unwell, have any of the symptoms of a respiratory illness, or suspect you may have been exposed to someone with Covid, Flu, or RSV, **please do NOT visit the facility**. If you're unsure, it's better to stay connected to your loved one via our virtual visitation options until you're feeling better or have a confirmed negative test result. Our staff can assist you or your resident if you require assistance to contact them.

Questions and concerns should be directed to your nurse manager or our social workers, and please check this site frequently for updates. Stay well!

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Administrator