Long Island State Veterans Home



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Dear LISVH Family Member:

As we reach day 500 in our battle against the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), we want to update you on our current situation at the Long Island State Veterans Home. We have <u>no cases</u> of the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) among our resident population and our entire workforce. We want to report that 95% of our residents and 75% of our staff have been fully vaccinated against the virus. We will continue to offer the vaccine to all new admissions as well as to employees who might have had vaccine hesitation and are now willing to take it.

We are closely following the data regarding the Delta variant. As you know, this variant is highly contagious and is responsible for the increase of infections in New York State. Staying ahead of any future outbreak remains our top priority. Scheduled visitation remains a requirement. We ask that you please remember the following:

- All visits must be scheduled on SignUp Genius on our website. We have added additional times and locations in this application. Please do not plan to visit without a scheduled time, as all visitors are required to be screened.
- Remain in the designated location for the duration of your visit.
- We ask that you arrive at least 5 to 10 minutes prior to your scheduled time.
- If you are not feeling well, please cancel your visit and stay home.
- We discourage any exchange of food products or eating during the visit.
- Please leave pets at home.

Our Therapeutic Recreation department continues to coordinate group programs and it has been uplifting to watch the residents enjoy their leisure time once again. On Wednesday, we had our first live entertainment program in the MPR. We look forward to doing more live programs; however, we cannot accommodate family members at this time.

We do recognize that things continue to open up in the community; however, nursing homes still have a different set of rules. We remain vigilant against the Delta variant and <u>must</u> have your ongoing cooperation to prevail. We remain here for you – please feel free to call us if you need any assistance.

Sincerely,

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