

Long Island State Veterans Home



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Dear LISVH Family Member:

We remain committed to bringing you the latest on our situation here at the Long Island State Veterans Home. We are extremely pleased to report that the Home remains COVID-19 free at this time. We have no residents and no employees with the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19). Thank you to our residents, families, and employees for your continued cooperation in adherence to the latest infection prevention and control guidance. Our goal is to remain COVID-19 free in the weeks and months ahead.

Indoor and outdoor visitation is available for all resident units at this time. Please continue to use [SignUp Genius on the LISVH website](#) to schedule your visits. We remind all visitors to check our website, and your emails, phone and text messages, or call our Social Services Department at 631-444-8545 for the latest information before traveling to the Home. While we are in a good place right now, things can change on short notice. We appreciate your ongoing cooperation.

As colder weather approaches, we have prepared Nursing Unit 1B to accommodate safe indoor visiting. We ask families to be sure that your loved one has season appropriate clothing if we are required to suspend indoor visitation and transition to outdoor only in-person visits. Please note, FaceTime visits would also resume if indoor visitation is temporarily suspended. As a reminder, FaceTime visitation would be scheduled through the recreational therapy department at 631-444-8522.

We are pleased to announce that Influenza vaccine (flu shots) have been offered and administered to all residents who have expressed interest or whose healthcare proxy has completed and returned the consent form. If your loved one has not received the Influenza vaccine (flu shot) and would like to receive one, please let us know. This week, we will be administering booster doses of Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine to all eligible residents. Residents who received their second dose of Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine at least six months ago, have received education about the booster, and provided consent (or those residents whose healthcare proxies have received education and consented) will be eligible for a booster. Any questions about the booster dose should be referred to Dr. Anshu Singh (631-444-8608) or Elizabeth Murray, RN (631-444-8582). Currently, no booster has been approved by the Federal Drug Administration (FDA) for the Moderna or Janssen vaccines. Residents who received the Moderna or Janssen COVID-19 vaccines will receive boosters upon FDA approval.

Please be assured that we continue to do everything in our power to protect our residents and staff against COVID-19. We want to also thank you for entrusting your loved ones to our care. If we can be of further service to you, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

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