

Long Island State Veterans Home



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Dear LISVH Family Member:

We want to take this opportunity to update you on our latest situation here at the Long Island State Veterans Home. Our overall circumstances remain stable. We continue to have one resident positive for the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19). This resident has no symptoms and is properly quarantined and cohorted with his roommate. We anticipate that both of them will be returning to their original unit by the end of the week.

We still have three employees who have tested positive for COVID-19. All three have no to mild symptoms and are properly quarantined in their own homes. Please know that we have completed all of our required testing on residents and staff and are very pleased to report that we have had no additional cases.

We continue to monitor COVID-19 activity in our region. Yesterday's COVID-19 positivity rate for Suffolk County was 2.6% and the seven-day rolling average was also 2.6%. These numbers reflect that 976,640 individuals in Suffolk County have chosen to be vaccinated. If you have received the vaccine, we say thank you. If you are still considering the shot, it's not too late to protect yourself, your family and your friends. Clearly, the vaccine is our best defense as we try and bring this pandemic to a close. Please note that we will be offering the Pfizer booster shot to all our qualified staff members on November 4 and 5, 2021. While this booster shot is not mandatory, we have had an excellent response from our staff.

Our indoor visitation is tentatively scheduled to resume on Monday, 11/1/2021. Outdoor visitation is temporarily suspended for Units 1D and 3C. Outdoor visitation is expected to resume on 10/30/2021 for Unit 1D and 11/1/2021 for 3C. Compassionate care visits will still be accommodated. We kindly ask that if a compassionate care visit is required, please reach out directly to your social worker.

As the weather forecast is a wet one for the next few days, please take proper precautions when venturing out. Should you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call us.

Sincerely,

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