

Long Island State Veterans Home



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Dear LISVH Family Member:

As we begin the second half of the month of February, we want to take this opportunity to update you on our latest situation at the Long Island State Veterans Home. We are pleased to announce that our third wave of the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) is now officially over. We have **no cases** of COVID-19 among our residents and our staff at this time. This great news came to us yesterday, on Valentine's Day. We are all elated at this time.

We still want to make you aware of the COVID-19 activity in our region. While we have no COVID-19 cases at the Home, Suffolk County is still showing activity. The current positivity rate is 3.5% and the seven-day average is 3.3%. Currently, 251 individuals remain hospitalized for COVID-19 at various hospitals around Suffolk County. Thirty-five of these patients are in ICU's and 25 remain on ventilators. Your best protection against future variants is the vaccine booster.

With Governor Hochul's Vaccine Booster Mandate fast approaching, we want to alert you on our latest numbers. Currently, 70% of our staff who are eligible for their booster shot have received it. We anticipate that the remaining 30% will all secure their booster (Pfizer, Moderna or Johnson & Johnson) by the February 21, 2022 deadline. We will have our last onsite Vaccine Booster Clinic on site this Friday, February 18, 2022.

We want to remind you that our next Family Council Zoom call will be on Thursday, February 17, 2022 at 11:00 AM. The link to the Zoom meeting will be made available to family members through our AMG Alert System on Wednesday morning. We look forward to being with all of you on the call. Please know that you never need a Family Council meeting to have your questions or concerns answered. We are always available to you. Never hesitate to reach out.

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