

Long Island State Veterans Home



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Dear LISVH Family Member:

As we complete the first week of February, we are pleased to report our current situation is improving at the Long Island State Veterans Home. As of today, we have five residents who are confirmed positive for the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19). Four residents are here at the Home, all properly cohorted and quarantined and have been offered the Sotrovimab monoclonal antibody treatment. One of our residents is being treated at Stony Brook University Hospital. We currently have four employees who are also confirmed positive for the COVID-19 virus. All four have no to mild symptoms and are properly quarantined in their homes.

We would also like to share the latest COVID-19 activity in our community. The current positivity rate for COVID-19 is 5.8% and the seven-day average is now 6.6%. Currently, there are 440 individuals who are hospitalized for the COVID-19 virus at various Suffolk County hospitals. Sixty-two of these patients are in ICU's and 42 remain on ventilators. We continue to urge you to be boosted. While a booster vaccine may not stop you from getting the virus, the vaccine will help to keep you out of a hospital and avoid being on a ventilator.

Earlier today, we hosted another onsite booster clinic for our staff. We were able to provide both Pfizer and Moderna vaccine to our employees. We had an additional 28 staff members receive their 3rd dose. Currently, 45% of our staff are properly boosted. We are educating and encouraging all staff on a daily basis. We are working hard to meet the Governor's booster mandate deadline which occurs on February 21, 2022. We will be hosting additional onsite vaccine booster clinics on February 11th and 18th.

For those visitors who have not been here for a while, please remember that the New York State Department of Health requires that you need a negative COVID-19 test before you can begin your visit. We will provide you a complimentary test kit and our front desk staff will guide you through the process. Please recognize that this is a mandatory prerequisite to your visit. Our goal is to limit the virus at the Home and keep your loved one safe and comfortable. We remain grateful to you for your total cooperation.

Should you have any additional questions or comments, never hesitate to reach out to us. Have a great weekend.

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