

# Long Island State Veterans Home



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Dear LISVH Family Member:

With another week coming to a close in our fight against the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), we want to give you the latest information on our situation at the LISVH. We are back to having no residents positive for the virus at this time. We hope that all our ongoing efforts, including our promoting of vaccines for all, will keep us in this stable situation. Swab testing will be maintained for all residents, as our goal remains to stay ahead of this virus.

Our workforce numbers remain stable as well. We have had no new positive results for the virus for our employees since Friday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. We have had 336 employees test positive for the virus since March 10, 2020. Four employees are currently quarantining at their homes, and 332 have fully recovered and have returned to work. We will continue to actively swab test employees as well. We are grateful to our staff for their compliance with this important requirement.

The vaccination push continues here at the Home. Vaccine supply remains strong and anyone who wants a vaccine may obtain it. Currently, 93% of our residents have taken the vaccine, as well as 64% of our employees. As you all know, we cannot mandate the vaccine, however, we are constantly educating both residents and staff to the importance of getting vaccinated.

“Operation Sunshine” is in full force and scheduled compassionate visits are going well. If you would like to visit your loved one, please contact your social worker to schedule a time. Federal and State regulations still require us to properly screen all visitors (including temperature check) and make sure that proper personal protective equipment (PPE) is utilized. By scheduling your compassionate visit, we can be sure to meet these important mandates. Your ongoing cooperation is very much appreciated.

Lastly, many of our families responded to the 2021 Stony Brook University Giving Day event. If you participated in this philanthropic opportunity, we say thank you. If you did not, you still have an opportunity to do so. We have raised over \$9,000 to date. Please take a moment to watch the [LISVH Giving Day video](#) by clicking on the link and going to our giving page to donate. No donation is too small, and 100% of the dollars raised goes to our Therapeutic Recreation fund. Be sure to share the link with your family and friends as well. Have a great weekend and call if we can be of further assistance to you.

Sincerely,

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