Long Island State Veterans Home



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Dear LISVH Family Member:

As we complete day 441 in our fight against the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), we want to maintain our commitment to sharing the latest information with you on our situation at the Long Island State Veterans Home. With the start of a new week, we remain stable. There are <u>no cases</u> of COVID-19 among our residents and staff at this time. We actively continue to test our employees twice a week and the results continue to be good.

We are now one week into our residents having unrestricted access throughout our facility and outdoor space, and all is well. Our residents are reconnecting with each other and it is wonderful to see all the activity. Our residents are adhering to wearing their masks and they are practicing social distancing as well. For your information, in-house resident banking service re-opened today. Residents have access to their funds through our resident banking program located in our Business Office on the second floor. Family members with questions about resident banking can call our Business Office at 631-444-8687.

Visitation is also going well and we want to thank you for utilizing <u>SignUpGenius</u> on our website to schedule your visit. Scheduled visitation remains a requirement. Due to space limitations, COVID-19 screening procedures, temperature checks, and social distancing guidelines, we are unable to accommodate any spontaneous (UNSCHEDULED) visits. Our staff must also be sure that visitors and residents properly wear a face covering throughout their visit.

Please be aware of the following visitation guidelines:

- Proper face coverings must be worn at all times by visitors and residents during indoor and/or outdoor visits.
- Please do not bring any food or drink for consumption during your visit.
- Maintaining social distancing (6 feet please) is also required.
- Minors are also welcome if they are accompanied by an adult and follow protocol.

We must remind you that the rules for nursing homes are different from the rules for the general community. Your adherence will help to prevent the COVID-19 from returning.

Just a friendly reminder that our next Family Council Meeting will be on Thursday, May 27 at 11:00 AM by Zoom. We will send the link out to you through our AMG system prior to the actual

meeting. If you would like any additional information about Family Council, please contact Lisa Cirami at 631-444-8540, Ellen Lindberg at ellenlindberg5@gmail.com or Robin Kaplan at rakpak3@aol.com.

We continue to prepare for our virtual Memorial Day ceremony with special video messages and musical tributes for our residents. We will broadcast our virtual Memorial Day Ceremony throughout the facility and will make the ceremony available to you on our website and Facebook page. We hope to have a live ceremony in our Multipurpose Room in 2022!

As always, we remain here for you – our family and friends. Please reach out if we can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

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