Long Island State Veterans Home



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Dear LISVH Family Member:

With the month of May upon us, we would like to take this opportunity to bring you up to date on our situation at the Long Island State Veterans Home. As of yesterday, the positivity rate in Suffolk County for the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) was 1.6%. This percentage continues to go slowly in the right direction. Today, we remain COVID-19 free among all our residents and employees! We continue to maintain practices that will help to keep the virus from returning. We would like to thank our families for your efforts in this fight as well.

As of today, 93% of our residents have received the vaccine. In Suffolk County, the average nursing home employee vaccination rate is 53%. In New York State, the average nursing home employee vaccination rate is 57%. We remain proud that our number exceeds both the state and county numbers. Our push on vaccination continues. Today, one resident and nine staff members received the vaccine. On Friday, we have three residents and 15 employees scheduled to receive the vaccine. Each inoculation takes us a step closer to herd immunity.

As we announced last Friday, we have reopened for scheduled visitation on an indoor and outdoor basis. To make your scheduling easier, we have implemented Signup Genius on our website. When you go onto our website at www.lisvh.org, click onto the COVID-19 section and follow the instructions. For those family members that are computer-challenged, please give your Social Worker a call and we will assist. As a reminder, there are no longer age restrictions for those who may visit, as long as a child is accompanied by an adult. All previously scheduled compassionate care visits for the month of May will be honored as we transition into the new system. It has been wonderful to see so many families return to the Home. We welcome everyone back.

Lastly, we stand ready to answer all your questions. Please feel free to reach out to us as needed.

Sincerely,

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