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RE: COVID-19 Update – Cottages

Dear Family and Friends of Cottages at Three Links,

Our top priority is to keep our residents and staff safe, healthy and informed. We appreciate your support and patience throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. To keep you informed, we wanted to provide you with the following updates:

Positive Case of COVID-19 of Cottages Employee

Unfortunately, we were notified on September 13, 2020 of an employee who tested positive for COVID-19.

- The employee was last at the Cottages on September 10, 2020.
- Exposure to residents or employees is considered a “low risk” exposure per the Minnesota Department of Health guidelines.
- This employee has worn the universal personal protective equipment or “source control” of a surgical mask and eye protection at all times when in resident care areas while practicing hand hygiene.
- The employee is now isolating at home and will not return to work until meeting the Minnesota Department of Health guidelines for returning to work in a healthcare setting.
- We are working in collaboration with the Minnesota Department of Health to ensure we are taking all appropriate precautions at this time and will abide by their recommendations for resident testing.
- Certain residents, based on exposure, may have to be isolated to their room for a period of time based on information we receive during contact tracing. This includes eating meals in rooms and no longer being eligible for outdoor visits or window visits.

We will continue to be transparent regarding any updates or changes. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns you may have.

The latest family communications regarding COVID-19 may also be found at threelinks.org.

Sincerely,

Mark Anderson, CEO

CC: Kerry Collins, RN - Director of Health Services- Cottages and Reflections