



August 21, 2020

Greetings everyone,

As you know, earlier this week we proactively tested all Linden residents and staff who work directly in Linden or peripherally in Linden. The tests were completed yesterday morning and sent to a lab in Massachusetts midday yesterday.

Early this morning we received the test results back. We have one positive COVID test of a resident in Linden and have retested to confirm.

The individual in question is asymptomatic. Interestingly, they received no visitors and did not travel off campus recently. No staff in this neighborhood tested positive. Out of an abundance of caution and with guidance from the Vermont Department of Health, plans are in place to retest all residents in skilled nursing later today and retest all Linden staff early next week.

For the moment, we are asking that you cease any and all visitors to campus. If you have someone coming to visit you today, please reach out to them and ask them to come another day. This includes people en route. All visitors will be turned away at the check point.

Also, for the moment, please remain on campus today except for medical appointments. You are free to be outside and come to the community center for mail. But please stay on campus. ALWAYS wear your masks. The blueberry social has been cancelled and instead a blueberry treat will be included in all dinners this evening.

I will be back later today with more specifics about what restrictions we may ask you to abide by. We are still working on this. But I wanted to get this

information out to you as soon as possible. I will send another update later today.

Please understand that we are all working very hard to determine next steps and ask that you limit questions to email. We may be delayed in responding.

Thanks very much everyone for your cooperation.

Sincerely,
Martha

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Martha".

Martha E. Maksym
President and CEO