

To: Residents and Staff

From: Nadia N. Geigler, CEO

Date: Wednesday, January 6, 2021

Re: COVID-19 Prevention and Protection

## **COVID Count**

ACTIVE cases	
Residents	Staff
0	1

RECOVERED cases	
Residents	Staff
23	41+7

"+7" refers to a non-staff provider

# Vaccines for IL Are Coming!

If you are an IL resident, please read the following carefully as this is complicated and is still evolving.

Let's start with the good news: Just this morning we received approval from CDPH to offer the vaccine to our IL residents!

# Dates for Doses

We are still awaiting confirmation from Walgreens that they can provide the vaccination and, if so, on what date. There is a very good chance they will provide the first of two doses of the vaccine to IL residents when they are here on Wednesday, January 27 however this date is not yet official. We will let everyone know when the date has been finalized and will give a lot more details at that time about timing, location, how to be prepared, etc. For now, if you are an IL resident interested in the vaccine, I would suggest blocking out Wednesday, January 27 and Wednesday, February 24 for doses one and two respectively of the vaccine.

# How to Sign Up for the Vaccine

If you are an IL resident and you want to receive the vaccine, please make your way to the screening table in the lobby starting tomorrow to complete the paperwork. This paperwork must be completed, even if you have previously expressed an interest in receiving the vaccine, and the sconer the better so that we can ensure Walgreens has enough doses for you. When you show up to the screening table, you will receive a copy of the informed consent and an FDA fact sheet. You will need to sign the informed consent and return it to the staff person at the screening table in order to receive the vaccine.

# How Can I Learn More about the Vaccine?

Option 1: We were scheduled for a Fireside Chat (p/n/a Community Meeting, p/n/a Fireside Chat (3)) next Thursday, January 14 at 11 am (new time). We are dedicating that entire Fireside Chat to focus exclusively on the COVID vaccine – education, what to expect before, during and after the vaccine. This will be hosted by Dr. Mizuno, Mark Dubovick and Angela Jalloh. Please send any questions you have about the vaccine or the administration of the vaccine to me in advance of the

meeting if at all possible. We will have a time for Q&A during the session but known questions submitted ahead of time will be very helpful.

Option 2: You can participate in a virtual town hall scheduled for tomorrow which provides education about the vaccine and what to expect by going here. This is being hosted by CDPH and the email from them is copy and pasted below:

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This week, CDPH will be hosting a virtual town hall on the COVID vaccine during our Long Term Care Roundtable on Thursday 1/7 from 12:30-1:30 pm CT. Please invite all of your facility's staff, residents and families to this event. This town hall will be recorded and will be available to watch after the event.

We have a very special speaker this week, the Chicago Department of Public Health Commissioner, Dr. Allison Arwady. She will available to provide the latest vaccine information and respond to your questions.

Questions may be submitted in advance (on the facebook page) or during the event.

Long Term Care Roundtable: COVID Vaccine Town Hall Date: 1/7/21 Time: 12:30 – 1:30 pm CT Audience: All Long Term Care Staff, Residents, and Families Speaker: CDPH Commissioner Dr. Allison Arwady

For the best viewing experience, please watch on Facebook Live: Click the link to join: <u>https://tinyurl.com/CDPHEVENT</u>

CDPH will also be streaming the town hall via Webex. Questions in the chat will be submitted for answers:

When it's time, join the Webex meeting here.

Meeting number (access code): 269 295 536 Meeting password: TAhwCWs5X83

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