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Dear Residents, Clients, and Families:

On September 6, 2022, one Nursing and Rehab client tested positive for COVID-19. This was the first time in nearly 4 months that we have had a positive case among those being cared for at CMNR.

We immediately reported the test results to the local health officials and initiated mandated safety protocols. Following these guidelines, we tested all our clients and staff members. The individual who tested positive had been vaccinated. They are experiencing very mild or no symptoms and are being isolated and monitored as a precautionary measure. This incident reminds us that COVID-19 is still an issue to be taken seriously in our community.

While it is safer (and recommended) for visitors to avoid entering our facility after a positive case has been identified, guidelines require that visitation must still be allowed. Anyone from outside the facility, who chooses to visit, should be aware of the potential risk of exposure, and must adhere to all core principles of infection prevention during visitation. Those who choose to visit, should wear a face covering at all times – regardless of vaccination status. Visits should ideally be brief and limited to a resident's individual room. Alternative communication and visitation methods are available. If you are interested in taking advantage of these, contact our Life Enrichment department.

We continue to urge all who visit to adhere to the recommended safety and mitigation protocols. Testing is still the best way to guard against the spread of COVID-19. Our staff is regularly tested. We are asking visitors to consider being tested (2-3 days prior) to coming to the facility as well. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) strongly encourages all visitors to become vaccinated. If you would like more information about vaccination, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Thank you for your understanding and patience. Please know we remain committed to the health and safety of all we serve.

Sincerely,

Jill Gengler, NHA
Chippewa Manor Campus President