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Chippewa Manor

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Dear Residents, Clients and Families:

One of our staff members has tested positive for COVID-19. We will continue to follow the direction of the Chippewa County Department of Public Health and the CDC.

Although the vaccine is a great protection against serious illness and hospitalization, infection with the virus can and does occur. The Chippewa County COVID-19 community transmission rate remains high and since our population at Chippewa Manor is among the most vulnerable, we must still be diligent in our mitigation efforts.

Chippewa Manor has ended the practice of actively screening all visitors and guests in accordance with updated guidance from state and local health officials. However, it remains of the highest importance that all visitors report any symptoms of the flu or COVID-19 along with any exposures to the virus after visiting. Masking is still required in all areas of the facility. We are working hard to keep everyone safe, and we appreciate your understanding as you follow our safety protocols. If you have any questions, please contact me at 715-723-4437.

While it is safer (and recommended) for visitors to avoid entering our facility after a positive case has been identified, those who choose to visit, should wear a face covering at all times - regardless of vaccination status. 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. 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.

Vaccination is the greatest tool in providing a safe environment for our residents. 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.

Sincerely,

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

Jill Gengler, NHA

President, Chippewa Manor Corp.

Administrator, Chippewa Manor Nursing and Rehabilitation