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To: All family members of a current St. Martin's Resident and to our friends,

Yesterday, a point of care/rapid COVID test resulted in a positive reading and the employee is quarantining at home. The results from the remaining tests sent to the lab will not be back for a day or two.

Effective January 21, 2022, the Maryland Department of Health released new visitation guidelines for nursing homes in a local jurisdiction where the COVID-19 level of community transmission is high. Effective immediately:

- Complete the screening process thru Accushield in our front lobby.
- Provide proof of a negative COVID test within 72 hours of visiting, or
- Be tested for COVID, or
- Refuse to be tested.

Visitors who refuse to be tested may still visit but must do so in Main Street. You will need to wear your mask at all times, maintain social distancing, and utilize the hand sanitation stations located for your convenience. If you have symptoms of COVID or test positive for COVID, you will not be permitted to visit.

Because test kits are limited to the supply on hand, each Resident may have only one test kit per visitor per week. If there are additional visitors, they must show proof of test results from any other provider (unless they refused to be tested.)

Security/Receptionist at St. Martin's Home is responsible for dispensing one test kit to one family member per week upon request and while supply lasts. They will also maintain a current list of visitors and which option they chose.

As we receive additional information from the State of Maryland, the CDC or CMS, we will notify you. The Little Sisters continue to keep you and your loved ones in our prayers.

Most sincerely,

Sister Jeanne Mary, I.S.P.  
Superior