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

This week's testing identified one employee as positive for COVID-19. This employee has no contact with Residents and will quarantine at home.

The Maryland Department of Health and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services recently updated their testing guidelines eliminating the need to test fully vaccinated and boosted employees over the age of 50. Of course, this does not include those employees who experience symptoms consistent with the COVID-9 infection or those who have been in close contact with an infected person. We all understand – having witnessed the changes in testing policies over the past two years – that this can and probably will change again before this pandemic is finally eradicated.

In an effort to keep up with the emergence of new COVID-19 strains, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) announced on August 31, that they have issued emergency authorization for the use of both Pfizer and Moderna's updated booster. Designed to enhance protection against the current Omicron subvariants, the updated boosters may be of particular importance as we begin to enter into the colder months of the year.

We thank you for the privilege of caring for your loved one and wish you a happy, healthy and safe holiday weekend.

Most sincerely,

Ryan Sachs, LNHA  
Administrator