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Hello Everyone,

In case you happen to hear it in the news over the weekend; CMS has just released 2 new QSOs late this afternoon. The more significant memo requires changes in our visitation policy. The long and short of it is that visitation will be allowed at will, almost the way it was pre-pandemic with very little in the way of safeguards, and no more scheduling of visits will be necessary; though screening at the door will still be required.

This memo was just released late this afternoon and though we are pleased that you will be able to visit your loved one at will, we ask that you understand that we need a little time to operationalize these changes. Changes that will need to happen in order to safely meet the requirements outlined in the CMS memo. This is for the safety of our residents, your loved ones, you, our staff, and all other visitors.

Please give us a little time to digest this change and work through it which we will do on Monday. We will need to adjust our current visitation procedures and I'm hoping you will understand that these will be big adjustments for all of us.

Please remember; per my earlier newsletter, that the state continues to be in high transmission with increasing cases, hospitalization rates and nursing home outbreaks, which is why it is so important for us to take the time to thoroughly review and digest the new guidelines. I assure you that we will do this as quickly as possible and will communicate with you as soon as we have absorbed the information and educated our staff. This should be early next week.

Sincerely,

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