



**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE: November 2, 2020**

**TO: ALL RESIDENTS, FAMILIES & STAFF**

**FROM: RON PATTI, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, HILLTOP CAMPUS**

**RE: COVID-19 HILLTOP UPDATE**

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Hello everyone,

United Methodist Homes Hilltop Campus remains committed to the safety of all of our residents and staff. We continue to follow all precautionary measures set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), and continue to work very closely with the Department of Health.

We want to keep you updated on the status of COVID-19 in our James G. Johnston Memorial Nursing Home. Unfortunately, last evening we learned that a third resident has tested positive for COVID-19. This resident is also on Unit 2 and quarantined in a private room. The entire unit remains on Enhanced-Contact Droplet Precautions. We are making every effort to mitigate risk of spread working closely with the epidemiologist at the Department of Health as well as following the guidance on cohorting and isolating known positive residents from those who are free of COVID-19. We continue to closely monitor every resident for symptoms and test as required. Should any resident develop symptoms, we would reach out to the resident's representative immediately.

Also, last evening we were made aware of a non-direct care employee who had been furloughed since October 28<sup>th</sup>, has also tested positive for COVID-19. We continue to actively screen all employees prior to the start of each shift as well as test all employees once per week as mandated by the NYS Department of Health.

We remain appreciative of all the support and understanding we receive during these difficult times. We want to assure you that we are doing all we can to contain the spread. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to your staff liaison at any time or myself at 607-798-7818 ext. 210.

Sincerely,

Ron Patti, NHA

Executive Director