SUBJECT: Monitoring of Staff/Residents during the Recovery/Return to Normal Activities after Pandemic Emergency

POLICY: The facility will ensure that during the recovery phase of a pandemic emergency, all residents and staff will be monitored and tested to identify any developing symptoms related to the infectious agent in accordance with NYS and CDC guidance.

PROCEDURE:
1. The facility will continue with entrance screening of all employees, vendors, contract staff, and visitors during the recovery period as per NYS and CDC guidelines. Any person identified thru the screening process with signs/symptoms of infectious agent will not be allowed to enter.
2. The facility will continue daily surveillance for all residents residing in the facility for symptoms of the infectious agent as per NYS and CDC guidelines.
3. Any resident identified thru surveillance activities that may have symptoms associated with the infectious pandemic agent/illness, will be referred to the medical staff for evaluation and testing as per evaluation.
4. The residents will be tested for infectious agent as directed by NYS and CDC.
5. The facility will continue with employee surveillance to identify any staff re-emergence, pattern, or cluster of symptoms associated with the infectious pandemic agent/illness.
6. Any employee identified thru surveillance activities that may have symptoms of the infectious disease will be restricted from work and be required to be tested for the infectious agent.
7. Any confirmed or suspected cases of the pandemic infectious disease will be reported to the local health department and CDC as appropriate.