



Gurwin Jewish Nursing & Rehabilitation Center

COVID-19 UPDATE
Friday, December 4, 2020
5:00 PM

Dear Gurwin Residents and Family Members:

We are required by the NY State Department of Health (DOH) to let you know whenever there is a newly positive test result for COVID-19 for either a staff member or resident in our facility. We are writing to let you know that we learned today of a positive result for one of our residents. This resident is asymptomatic, and was identified through our weekly surveillance testing protocols. Our target date for In-Person Visits is now December 21.

Please be assured you will be promptly notified by phone if your loved one is identified as a suspected or positive case of COVID-19, is on a quarantined unit, or has any other significant change in condition. You will find past Family and Resident Updates on our website at www.gurwin.org/family-updates/ should you need to access them.

As you know, the positivity rate for COVID-19 testing in Suffolk County - and all of New York - continues to rise, increasing the risk to our staff when they are not at work. We continue to stress the importance of hand washing, mask wearing and social distancing, and provide regular education to ensure proper practices while at work, as well. Again yesterday, a survey team from the DOH spent the day in our facility, monitoring all infection control practices and protocols. The five-person team had no findings, for our fifth deficiency-free infection control survey since the pandemic began. This is a great testament to the commitment of our staff, and we are proud of their efforts each day.

As mentioned earlier this week, we are awaiting additional information regarding the COVID-19 vaccine, and will provide that to you as it becomes available. Thank you, as always, for your continued support and understanding.

Sincerely,

The Gurwin Care Team

Video Chat with your loved one: email videochat@gurwin.org to request a time. (Limit one per family per week, please.)

Send your loved one a **Gurwin Gram Gram**. Send a short video to us via Facebook Messenger or by email to info@gurwin.org, and we'll deliver your good wishes.

Go to bit.ly/GurwinVisits to schedule a 10-minute Drive-Up Visit. Residents whose

units are on quarantine may not attend Drive-Up Visits at this time.

Visit our [website at www.gurwin.org](http://www.gurwin.org) for Frequently Asked Questions and other updates on COVID-19.

It's Flu Season! Click here for a message from our staff and residents on protecting yourself and those you love against flu and COVID-19.

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