Gurwin Jewish Nursing & Rehabilitation Center

WEEKLY UPDATE AND VISITATION INFORMATION
Friday, January 22, 2021
5:00 PM

Dear Gurwin Residents and Family Members:

As you know, we are required by the NY State Department of Health to inform you any time we have a new positive case of COVID-19 among our staff or residents, as well as to provide weekly updates on the incidence of the COVID-19 virus in our facility and our cumulative numbers associated with the pandemic since its inception. Today we need to report positive test results for two staff members as well as one resident.

Residents testing positive are moved to our COVID-19 isolation unit, where they are cared for until a negative clinical test result is received. Currently, we have 10 residents on this unit, with seven cleared and either discharged or moved back to their usual unit today. Since the pandemic began, we have celebrated more than 175 recoveries; sadly, we continue to mourn the 62 residents who were lost to the virus. All units will remain on quarantine until February 3 due to DOH requirements; our target date for opening to Drive-Up and In-Person Visits is February 4.

Since March, 219 staff members have tested positive for the virus, although some of these are still under review for testing accuracy. Most staff members who test positive are asymptomatic and found through our weekly surveillance testing protocols. Regardless, any staff member testing positive is required to quarantine at home for 14 days, and only return to work after receiving a negative clinical test result.

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 floor which is quarantined, or has any other significant change in condition. You will find past Family and Resident Updates on our website at www.guwin.org/family-updates/ should you need to access them.

Please stay safe, and thank you, as always, for your support and understanding.

Sincerely,
The Gurwin Care Team