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 learned of positive results for five of our residents, and two staff members. All were found through our weekly surveillance testing and are asymptomatic.

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 11 residents on this unit. Since the pandemic began, we have celebrated more than 185 recoveries; sadly, we continue to mourn the 62 residents who were lost to the virus. All units will remain on quarantine until February 14 due to DOH requirements; our target date for opening to Drive-Up and In-Person Visits is February 15.

Since March, 228 staff members have tested positive for the virus. 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 may only return to work after receiving a negative clinical test result.

Sending Love to Our Sweethearts!

Our residents would love some love from family and friends this Sweetheart's Day! Record a brief video (hold your phone horizontally, please!) wishing your loved one, our staff, and/or all our residents a Happy Sweetheart's Day, and we'll put them all together to show our residents on our internal TV channel on Saturday, February 14. Videos should be sent by February 10 via email or through We
Transfer to info@gurwin.org. Thanks for helping us show our residents some LOVE!

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

Send your loved one a Gurwin Gram Gram! Record a short (one minute or less) video, and send it by email or via WeTransfer (www.wetransfer.com) to info@gurwin.org.


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