Dear Gurwin Residents and Family Members:

We are writing today to inform you that two staff members have tested positive for COVID-19. This was found during our routine outbreak testing, which was underway due to previous positive tests from earlier this week. As we are already following the required NY State Department of Health regulations, our visitation status does not change with these new positive results, and all indoor visitation will remain on pause. We currently have no COVID-19 positive residents in our isolation unit.

Residents and staff will continue to be tested weekly per DOH guidelines, at least for the next two weeks. Pending the results from this testing, we will either open for indoor visitation again, or remain paused for further testing. Family members will be notified of the results of the tests as we receive them; results of resident testing from this past Tuesday, August 31, were all negative.

Scheduled outdoor visits are permitted for residents not on quarantined units at this time. See the chart below to determine when your loved one will be able to have outdoor visits, and sign up at bit.ly/GurwinVisits. In order to ensure that everyone has a chance to visit, we ask that you sign up for no more than one visit per week per resident. Additional sign up slots will open weekly on Mondays at 3:30 pm, as necessary, while we are unable to hold indoor visitation. Be sure to call our Visitation Hotline at (631) 715-2200 prior to your visit for updated information, as visitation may need to be canceled due to inclement weather, including rain or heat advisory.
We ask that you adhere to the following when visiting:

- Wear a mask during your entire visit, from before you enter our facility, at all times while with a resident (including while outdoors during your visit), and until you completely exit the building;
- Wash or sanitize your hands when you enter the building, often throughout your visit, and again prior to leaving;
- Maintain social distancing as best as you can at all times during your visit.

**FaceTime visits** are available while indoor visitation is paused. Please use the link previously provided to you by your loved one’s unit recreation therapist, or email videochat@gurwin.org for your signup link. Again, we ask that you sign up for one FaceTime visit per week to ensure that everyone who wants a visit can have one.

If you have questions about visitation as it specifically affects your loved one, please contact his/her social worker.

You may also email info@gurwin.org with questions. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us to keep our residents safe during this time.

Best regards,

The Gurwin Care Team

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