Dear Gurwin Residents and Family Members:

We are writing to inform you that we have received notification since yesterday that four of our staff members have tested positive for COVID-19. Although none of these staff members has regular resident contact, we are currently conducting contact tracing, and will test any residents or staff members who may have been exposed at least twice in the coming days to ensure negative results. If this affects your loved one, his/her designated representative will have been notified by phone.

As per NYS Department of Health guidance, visitation will remain open, however we must caution all visitors that we are in an outbreak investigation due to positive test results among staff and residents, and you are at increased risk for exposure to COVID-19 when visiting at this time. Please wear a mask at all times while in the facility, including throughout your visit with you loved one. Sanitize your hands often, especially when entering and leaving our facility, and maintain physical distancing wherever possible. **We encourage all visitors to be tested for COVID-19 prior to their visit, and to be vaccinated if you haven’t already done so.** Testing and vaccination are the keys to keeping the virus under control. In addition, we ask that you inform us if you test positive within 10 days after a visit to our Center.

Should you plan to take your loved one out on pass for the holidays, please be sure to give as much notice as possible, ideally 48 hours, to the unit or your loved one’s social worker.

We appreciate your cooperation. Please email info@gurwin.org with questions. Thank you.

The Gurwin Care Team
Send your loved one a **Gurwin Gram Gram**. Send a short video to us via Facebook Messenger or by email to [info@gurwin.org](mailto:info@gurwin.org), and we'll deliver your good wishes.


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