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Good Morning Families and Friends

Early this morning we started receiving COVID test results back from Monday 10/26/2020 testing day. So far today, we have received 357 tests back with one positive employee. This employee has been notified and has been removed from working and is in isolation for 14 days. Contact tracing was completed and we feel due to her practice of wearing her mask and goggles and distancing herself while at work, we feel the exposure level to others is very low. Although, exposure level is considered low we have stepped up our monitoring of residents as a precautionary procedure.

The news I'm to communicate today is not one I agree with but need to follow the guidelines established by CMS and ND State Health Department. CMS visitation guidelines states that if an outbreak occurs, which is defined as one resident or one employee testing positive, internal visitation for a period of 14 days need to be discontinued. I will post CMS guidelines on how facilities are to respond to positive COVID residents and staff.

If you have scheduled an internal visitation you will be contacted and notified that we are on hold for internal visitation at this time. Please understand that we are disappointed in these guidelines as much as all of you. We will continue to argue our concerns with CMS to be more understanding about residents and families visitations here at Sheyenne Care Center.

Thank You!

Craig Christianson, CEO