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Dear Families and Friends

2020 has presented everyone with a whole new lifestyle which none of us care for or like. Holidays are a time to share with families and friends which have been nonexistent with COVID-19 infecting the country. Barnes County along with many of the other counties in ND, continue to push the infection rate higher and higher. This means that this Thanksgiving could present another spike in the infection rate throughout the country including Barnes County? I pray every day that our staff are safe from this virus while they celebrate Thanksgiving. I hope as they plan this holiday period they do what is right for their safety, but also taking the necessary precautions to protect everyone here at Sheyenne Care Center.

Today is COVID test day for all residents and staff as we continue to try and stop this virus from spreading here at Sheyenne Care Center. Last week's test results ended with a couple of residents testing positive. Families and/or first contacts were notified immediately and residents were moved to an isolation area to be cared for. If you have not been contacted by our nurses your loved one is doing well.

If you have concerns please call and visit with the nurse on the floor where your loved one lives. Our Thanksgiving meal for residents will be turkey, mash potatoes and gravy, stuffing, cranberries, and corn which should bring some enjoyment to the residents. During this holiday week I encourage all families to video conference their loved one. I wish we could allow families to share one another's company like we used to but during this pandemic we are required to follow Federal and State rules that are not right. Remember that we need to schedule these due to the time commitment to give everyone a chance to visit. Please call the Care Center to schedule a video conference with your loved one.

This weekend was a good sign due to only a couple of residents being tested with symptoms with result being negative. I truly hope and pray that this is a sign of things changing.

If you want more information please look on the ND Health Department website. Thank you and I wish everyone a blessed and happy Thanksgiving.

Craig Christianson, CEO