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Dear Residents and Families,

I hope this letter finds you all healthy as we move through the Autumn season. We want to update you all on our recent Covid-19 outbreak status. We currently have a few residents who have tested positive for Covid-19 who live in our Franklin Pierce neighborhood in LEDU. The residents have mild symptoms and are doing well. While we are hopeful for no additional positive cases, contact tracing and subsequent testing continues for veterans who may have been exposed. We continue to proceed cautiously, employing infection prevention and control best practices.

As of today, all other neighborhoods at our Home are open to visitors, including our two other LEDU neighborhoods of John Stark and Alan Shepard, Welch neighborhoods, and Tarr neighborhoods (North and South).

We are thankful that the vaccines have dramatically lessened the severity of the disease for those who contract it. Unfortunately, the vaccine is not able to prevent the infection. Because the COVID virus causes us to constantly pivot, we recommend that you call us at 603-527-4400 prior to visiting to ensure you have the latest information.

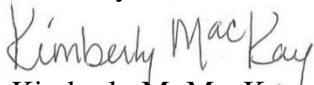
Looking ahead to next month, we have planned our in-house Veterans Day ceremony to recognize your veteran and their comrades on Thursday, November 10th. Holding our ceremony the day prior allows our veterans the opportunity to participate in other events happening on November 11th, the actual Veterans Day holiday. To bring your veteran to one of the many events around the state, we welcome you to contact Midge, Recreation Program Assistant, three or more business days in advance at visits@nhvh.nh.gov or 603-527-4816 to plan your social excursion.

As the Holiday season approaches and due to our precautions to protect our veterans, we encourage social excursions to enjoy your veteran's company for the upcoming Thanksgiving, Hanukkah, and Christmas celebrations. We know visits and social excursions are not without risks during a pandemic, but we also realize the importance of spending time with loved ones, especially during the holidays.

You are also welcome to schedule a video or window visit with our Tarr Recreation Therapist, Duain Cook, at 603-527-4466 (Duain.J.Cook@nhvh.nh.gov), LEDU Recreation Therapists Jennifer Mitchell at 603-527-4815 (Jennifer.S.Mitchell@nhvh.nh.gov), or Welch Recreation Therapist Megan Rowe at 603-527-4835 (Megan.E.Rowe@nhvh.nh.gov).

Until our next communication, we hope you stay safe and healthy.

Sincerely,


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