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Aloha Employees, Residents, Families and Friends:

As of today, we have confirmed one non-direct employee that tested positive for COVID-19.

COVID testing for highly exposed residents and employees continues. If a positive result is found, employees, residents, and responsible parties will be notified. We encourage all responsible parties to notify residents' family and friends. The facility will continue to post updates as they become available.

We continue to follow CMS, CDC and Hawaii Department of Health guidelines and are taking all measures to prevent further spread. These measures include, but not limited to: employee antigen testing, monitoring for symptom development, employees are required to wear appropriate personal protective equipment, frequent hand washing and following infection prevention measures while performing job duties, caring for residents and social distancing during meal breaks. We also continue to clean and disinfect commonly touched areas. In addition, when an employee or resident tests positive, contact tracing is performed to identify close contacts to guide quarantine decisions. We offer and encourage residents to wear face masks, we monitor residents for symptom development throughout each shift, and conduct rounds of antigen testing.

Reminder COVID-19 symptoms include: runny nose, headache, sore, dry, or scratchy throat, cough, fever, nasal congestion, chest congestion, sneezing, chills, muscle ache/pain, unusual tiredness or fatigue, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, loss of taste and/or smell, shortness of breath or other respiratory illness. If you experience any of the above symptoms, please contact your health care provider and notify us if you have recently visited the facility. Please postpone your visit until you are feeling better. The Omicron variant is easily transmissible from one person to another, we all must stay vigilant in protecting each other.

If you have questions or concerns, please call Paul Virtucio at (808) 247-2220 ext. 527.

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