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Dear Residents, Family and Friends:

We have officially entered fall – well at least I count that since we “fell” back an hour last week. As promised, I am following up to review our plans for Thanksgiving. We celebrate the Holiday at the noon mealtime. If you are planning on taking your family member out for the day, please notify the Receptionist so we can communicate with the kitchen. If you plan to have a meal here at Welcome with your resident, please see the Receptionist as well. We will be scheduling families who plan to eat together specific times so we can accommodate you in locations that allow the doors to be closed. Due to the guidelines of social distancing our space accommodations may be limited. Time will be granted on a first come first serve basis. For us to be prepared for meal services, we ask that you notify the Receptionist by November 19<sup>th</sup>. If you are coming in to visit and do not plan to share a meal, there is no need to pre-schedule.

We continue to be in Outbreak Testing. We are grateful at this point the outbreak seems to be isolated to a particular shift and side of the building. As always, our numbers are up to date and posted on our website for your reference. If your family member were to test positive you would be notified immediately. Vaccines have proven to be an effective tool against the virus. To date, no vaccinated resident has been impacted in this outbreak. Boosters were administered for all those consenting who received the Pfizer vaccine. In the next week, Boosters will be administered for all those consenting who received the Johnsons & Johnsons or the Moderna series. We continue to implement strategies to mitigate the virus and minimize the risk to our residents and staff. If you are feeling unwell, we ask you to schedule your visit for a later time.

If at any time you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out. In this season of Thanksgiving, we are forever thankful for the love and support of our families. Our blessings flow in spite of the challenges we face we remain Welcome Strong.

Thankfully,

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