

August 22, 2020

Dear Family members,

It's hard to believe that Labor Day is around the corner. How different this labor Day will be compared to the many we have enjoyed in the past! So many unknowns are still left unanswered regarding the opening of schools etc. We too continue to live with so many unknowns, but one thing we are now happy to announce is that **our New York Forward plan has been approved allowing us to begin limited family visits on Monday August 24,2020.**

You have already received the necessary instructions to be signed and brought in at the time of the visit. You may wish to send it to us beforehand and eliminate the time that it would take to expedite it when you come. If you have not received the instructions, you can find a copy on our website.

I know everyone is anxious to visit their loved ones. It's been about five months since lockdown and it hasn't been easy for anyone. BUT because it's not over, I'm sure you realize the seriousness of following the guidelines you will sign before visiting. Everything is focused on keeping our Residents safe and the past has shown us the severity of the consequences if we are not vigilant and attentive to infection control.

As a reminder, **visits are only allowed by appointment. Visits are mandated by the New York Health Department to be supervised, limited and everyone is obligated to follow strict infection control measures.**

We know we can count on your cooperation as we work together to continue to keep our home free of the COVID. Our staff and sisters continue to be tested weekly and everyone continues to test negative thank God. Visits must be conducted outdoors and social distancing is essential. We look forward to seeing everyone again. Have a wonderful Labor Day!

Sincerely,

Sr. Gertrude Mary lsp