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Dear Family member,

We're sending our weekly newsletter early this week in order to inform you of the latest regulations we received yesterday from the New York State Health Department. We are now mandated to require ALL family members to present the results of COVID-19 testing within seven days of the scheduled family visitation. We will not be able to allow the scheduled visit without the proof of negative results.

The Department of Health wrote:

Visitors are screened for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 prior to resident access. Additionally, **the visitor must present a verified negative test result within the last week (7 days) and visitation must be refused if the individual(s) fails to present such negative test result, exhibits any COVID-19 symptoms, or does not pass screening questions.**

I'm sure that all these regulations have your loved one's safety in mind since this virus has been so deadly, especially to the elderly. Thank you for your understanding as we go forward in hopes that we are coming to an end of the dangers attached to this pandemic.

Happily, if we ever do have anyone test positive to COVID-19, the visitations will only be stopped for 14 days rather than 28 as was previously required.

God bless and have a great weekend.

Sincerely,
Sr. Gertrude Mary lsp