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Dear Families,

We are writing to inform you that as of today, a "**Respiratory Outbreak on Maple North**" has been declared. This means that there are several residents who have been confirmed to have a respiratory illness.

While visitation is still allowed, please consider the needs of your loved one who is ill. Please consult with the nurse when you arrive to inquire on how you can be helpful. We require that you wear the appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) when doing so, to keep all residents, staff and you safe. This includes wearing a **gown, gloves, eye wear and mask**.

Make sure to be careful with donning (applying PPE) and doffing (removing PPE), perform good and frequent hand hygiene with hand sanitizer and refrain from touching your mask and face. Below are links to videos with this information. You can also see Carla Olusola (Director of Resident Care Services) for instructions.

- How to Properly Donn (apply) PPE:
- <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KeNlxl6hm3Q</u>
- How to Properly Doff (remove) PPE:
- <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p4ulnM6Ua7c</u>

Please pass along this information to others who you know that may try visiting your loved one, so they are aware of the PPE requirements. We will remind everyone to be diligent with hand hygiene and to continue to self-screen prior to coming to Salem Home. If you have cold symptoms, please stay home. We are in the fall season, where these respiratory infections are more common, so let us all do our part and keep our residents safe.

As usual, we will follow recommendations received from Infection Prevention and Control practitioners.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your loved one, you can speak to the Nurse or the Resident Care Manager.

Sincerely,

Carla Olusola Direction of Resident Care Services

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