



# Preakness Healthcare Center

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### COVID-19 Update

March 14, 2020

Dear Staff, Residents, and Families/Designated Representatives:

As each day passes, we receive helpful information on how to safeguard the health of our residents and our staff, and our plans continue to evolve for the protection of all. On March 13 and March 14, 2020, we were directed by Federal and State Regulatory agencies to:

- Restrict all visitors except possibly for those in compassionate care situations such as end of life;
- Require all who enter (staff, medical professionals, vendors with absolute necessity to enter, medical transport staff) to be screened for respiratory illness including having his/her temperature taken and answer critical questions prior to being given approval to enter;
- Cancel resident communal dining and all internal group activities such as Mass and our ever-popular BINGO sessions and Open Gym

We had already taken steps to restrict visitation and offer virtual visits using electronic technology.

We are grateful to our staff for continuing to meet the needs of our residents. Thank you to all for your patience and understanding under the circumstances.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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