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Dear Residents and Families:

Thank you again for the continued outpouring of support that we have received during these strange times. The love you have shown to our residents and staff has been uplifting!

Van Buren Health & Rehab has had our first resident with a positive test for COVID-19 last week. One (1) staff member has tested positive for COVID -19. The staff member will be on 14-day self-quarantine away from the facility until they've met the criteria to return to work based on current guidelines. Our facility is in communication with the Arkansas Department of Health and following facility protocols to ensure the safety of staff and residents.

- Cumulative total positive tests for residents: one (1)
- Cumulative total positive tests for staff: one (1)

Below are actions the facility continues to take, to stop any spread of the virus and changes to normal facility operations:

- We have educated our staff and residents about COVID-19 as well as the importance of handwashing and good cough hygiene.
- We have emphasized appropriate personal protective equipment usage
- We are electronically tracking inventory levels daily.
- We are ensuring that residents have the tools they need to wash hands.
- We are screening all employees before they come to work.
- We are screening all residents each shift.
- We are screening all new admissions to the facility.
- We have restricted visitors except for extreme circumstances.
- We have stopped social gatherings in traditional settings.
- We have stopped communal dining.
- We are communicating with the physician and/or Department of Health on any resident who may need to be tested.
- We are asking our residents to cover their mouths when receiving care per CDC guidance.
- Staff are wearing masks.

Our facility will provide continuous updates via our website at <http://vbhr.net/covidupdates.html> as it pertains to COVID-19. Please feel free to call your administrator if you have any questions, concerns or ideas. We are spending all day, every day, working to keep you and your family safe.

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