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Coronavirus Disease, or Covid-19, is an obvious and important discussion taking place with our friends, family and neighbors quite regularly, and clearly dominating the daily News cycle.

We hope this executive brief provides you with the appropriate level of understanding toward the efforts, awareness and precautions that Sancta Maria has undertaken to continue to provide the highest level of care and compassion for all of our patients, residents and families.

Please reach out to any member of our management team if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,
Tom Gomes
Executive Administrator

<p><u>Residents & Patients:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following and adhering to the (CDC) Center for Disease Control guidelines and best practices. • If a Resident/Patient becomes symptomatic per the CDC guidelines, he/she may be transferred to the hospital for thorough and confirmation testing. • If testing is positive and the Resident/Patient is returned to Sancta, they will be placed in isolation per guidelines. • Standard, contact and droplet precautions (read further) will be adhered to. 	<p><u>Family & Visitors:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encouraging all visitors and families to NOT visit if they are presenting with any flu & cold like symptoms. • Encouraging all visitors and families to NOT visit for at least 2 to 4 weeks if they have recently travelled. • Providing adequate hand sanitizer stations. • Multiple signs and posters throughout facility stating the above warnings. • Encouraging everyone to wash hands and cover face when sneezing and coughing.
<p><u>Employees & Contractors:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trained on how to recognize resident/patient symptoms. • Immediate notification to Senior Management with any resident/patient, or employee who presents with symptoms. • Encouraged to remain home and self-quarantine if feeling ill. • Informed that if they recently travelled, or plan to travel to any one of the CDC areas with confirmed outbreaks, that they may be subject to temporary suspension from their position upon return. 	<p><u>Newly Admitted Patients:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exhaustive medical chart reviews of potential new admissions are conducted prior to admission. • New admissions presenting with symptoms consistent with CDC guidelines will be placed under extreme scrutiny by the interdisciplinary team prior to admit. • Any new Resident/Patient that has recently travelled to any areas with confirmed outbreaks will be carefully screened by the interdisciplinary team.
<p><u>Facility Housekeeping/Procurement:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with supply chains to remain informed of any disruption to products due to manufacturer slow down or shut downs • Implemented an aggressive campaign to disinfect high touch point locations such as elevator buttons and hand rails • Increased disinfection protocols throughout the building • Verified chemical and product effectiveness on Covid19 to confidently and effectively eliminate potential infectious areas • Increased inventory of critical personal protective equipment and supplies as availability allows • Cleaning of medical equipment used for Resident/Patient with bleach based disinfectant wipes 	<p><u>Precautions and Personal Protective Equipment:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Per CDC guidelines, Covid-19 requires Droplet precautions as it is transmitted by respiratory droplets generated by coughing, sneezing, or talking. • Staff to use personal protective equipment, donning N95 mask, gown, gloves, and discarded prior to leaving room, followed by hand washing with either soap and water or 60% alcohol-based hand sanitizer. • Limit transport and movement of Resident/Patient, however if movement outside of room is necessary, Resident is to wash hands prior to leaving the room, to wear a N95 mask while out of the room, and follow respiratory hygiene/cough etiquette.