

Long Island State Veterans Home



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Dear LISVH Family Member:

As we conclude Day 518 in our fight against the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), we want to take this opportunity to update you on our current situation at the Long Island State Veterans Home. Since we wrote to you on Tuesday, we have had three additional employees test positive for the virus, taking us to a new current total of seven employees with COVID-19. All have no to mild symptoms and are quarantining at home.

As part of our Outbreak Protocol, we will continue to actively test both our residents and staff. The Delta variant is now with us in Suffolk County and remains highly contagious. We vigilantly take all precautions including on our visitation protocol. Here are the latest details on visiting:

- Outdoor visits have resumed today for the following units: 1A, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3B and 3D;
- Outdoor visits are expected to resume on August 12, 2021 for Unit 1D;
- Outdoor visits are expected to resume on August 17, 2021 for Units 1B and 3C;
- Outdoor visits are expected to resume on August 21, 2021 for Unit 2D; and
- Indoor visits for ALL UNITS are expected to resume on August 21, 2021.

Please continue to use SignUp Genius on the LISVH website to schedule you visit. It is important to note that outdoor visitation may be cancelled due to inclement weather. Furthermore, the current information is subject to change if we have any additional positive results from either residents or employees.

Vaccine administration continues and we have inoculated 16 employees with their first dose this week. Currently, 95% of our residents and 77% of our employees are fully vaccinated. With the COVID-19 positivity rate still on the rise, vaccination remains the strongest defense against the virus. If you are currently unvaccinated, we urge you to discuss your situation with your physician. Lastly, if we can be of further service, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Sincerely,

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