



September 11, 2020

## **UPDATE TO ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

Hello, we remain Covid19 free today.

Thank you to everyone for completing the Designated Caregiver forms and getting these back to us. We appreciate that for some this is a difficult decision; however, the Chief Medical Officer of Health's guidelines are very clear that there are 2 caregivers for a resident. Just as a reminder this designation only becomes relevant for visitors to St. Pat's if there was an outbreak or if a resident must isolate in their room. St. Pat's has not limited indoor visits to general visitors at this time, so the limit of 2 caregivers will only apply during an outbreak or if a resident is needing to isolate. The goal of this new guideline is to ensure that each resident has 2 people who can come in during an outbreak or when they are in isolation.

The expanded dining program has begun with Waterford as the first home area and it is going well with the 16 residents in the dining room per meal. Wexford and Donegal are setup now with the shields in place and will be running as of today. The 4th floor is planned to move forward next week, with the shields fully in place by Tuesday and running by Thursday Sept 17. The same schedule will be used for 3rd, 2nd and 1st floors moving forward over the next few weeks. We have ordered some additional shields as some have been damaged so the delivery of these will determine when we can finalize all of the home areas.

We are very pleased to let you know that the specialized Footcare service has now resumed. The specialized footcare nurse started visiting this week and is going to one home area only per day. She will be completing the service early next week to all of the home areas. She will return again in a few weeks to complete the service again rotating home areas over a nine day period.

Have a safe and happy weekend,

***Janet Morris***  
President and CEO