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UPDATE TO ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Hello,

Outbreak Status

We are sending out an additional update this week as we are now in COVID outbreak on Cavan. Please follow these Infection Prevention and Control recommendations:

1. **Limit Visits:**
 - To reduce the risk of transmission, visits to Cavan should be **minimized** during this outbreak.
2. **Masking and PPE:**
 - All visitors to Cavan are strongly recommended to **wear a mask** at all times and follow the PPE guidelines as directed.
 - Visitors should ensure proper hand hygiene upon entry and exit.
3. **Stay Home if Unwell:**
 - Visitors experiencing any symptoms of illness, including COVID-19 symptoms, **should not visit** St. Patrick's.
 - We encourage families to conduct virtual visits when possible to stay connected.

Palliative Symbol

The Palliative, Pain and Symptom Management Committee is proposing to use a pictorial image to gently represent the end of life journey. With family's permission, the image would be located on the door of a resident who is at this stage in their life. The purpose of the image is to remind staff, residents and visitors to maintain a respectful, peaceful, and quiet atmosphere when they are outside the resident's room or when they are approaching the resident to provide care or companionship.

We are inviting your input by completing this online survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/EOLSymbol> or visiting the front lobby display for a hard copy. We would welcome all staff, residents and family to share their thoughts on this proposed approach and to select an image that they think best represents the end of life journey.

Be well and stay safe,
Monique Patterson,
President and CEO