

Fulfilling Our Promise



Steere House

NURSING & REHABILITATION CENTER

June 30, 2020

Dear Family and Friends:

I am pleased to let you all know that Steere House Phase I has officially started. As mentioned in the letter of June 23rd, each Phase is a minimum of 14 days, careful planning is required for the changes or elements of each phase, and we will slowly re-introduce some aspects of "routine" daily life. I noted some last week, but will list a few again. Please know that *WE* appreciate the patience you all have had. ALSO note that the Rhode Island state-wide phases which Governor Raimondo discusses are NOT the same as the regulated steps Steere House must follow.

- Small group dining
- Limited small group activity programs
- Limited food deliveries for residents, families and staff
- By appointment, Drive by Tuesdays and Waving Wednesdays
- New Admissions
- Residents (as appropriate) returning to floors which are not COVID-19. These wonderful friends return as recovered, a great event to celebrate!

Steere House continues to be cautiously optimistic and our data continues to improve:

- No new COVID-19+ residents in 23 days
- No new COVID-19+ staff in 29 days
- In-House COVID-19+ residents are 13
- Resolved COVID-19+ residents are 38

Steere House continues to test our staff regularly, with the last round of COVID-19 test completed today. This surveillance is important for us and helps to identify any new asymptomatic individuals.

Lastly, I would like to thank those families who have sent donations for the Employee Relations Fund. This week we will be enjoying SUBWAY WEDNESDAY for all staff, on every shift- thanks to you!

Yours truly,

Julie H. Richard, NHA, MA, Executive Director

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