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Dear ECH Residents and Families,

Information about the Coronavirus (COVID-19) continues to rapidly evolve. We are working closely with the New York State DOH and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), as well as our Infection Control Nurse and the medical team, to monitor the emergence of COVID-19.

The DOH has updated their current recommendations regarding visitation to limit the spread of all respiratory illnesses. Skilled nursing facilities should now actively screen and restrict visitation by those who meet the following criteria:

1. Signs or symptoms of a respiratory infection, such as fever, cough, shortness of breath, or sore throat.
2. In the last 14 days, has had contact with someone with a confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19, or under investigation for COVID-19, or are ill with respiratory illness.
3. International travel within the last 14 days to countries with sustained community transmission. For updated information on affected countries visit:  
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html>
4. Residing in a community where community-based spread of COVID-19 is occurring.

Therefore, all visitors and staff arriving at the Episcopal Church Home will be asked screening questions daily upon arrival. If you answer yes to any of those questions, you will not be able to visit with your loved one. We also ask that you be mindful of your visits by limiting physical contact and travel throughout the building.

ESLC will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation very closely and keep you informed as new details arise. The safety and well-being of our residents is our top priority, and we will continue to take all necessary actions and precautions to prevent the possible spread of respiratory viruses.

If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (585) 546-8439 x3106 or [ateugeman@EpiscopalSeniorLife.org](mailto:ateugeman@EpiscopalSeniorLife.org). Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Amanda Teugeman".

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