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Dear Residents and Families,

As you have heard, the deployment of the COVID-19 vaccine is underway across the country and the Episcopal Church Home is eager to begin inoculating residents in the coming weeks. ECH is receiving the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine which is administered in two doses three weeks apart. There is no cost for this vaccine. Our pharmacy partner, HealthDirect Pharmacy Services, will manage the following on-site vaccination clinics with oversight from our nursing leadership team:

- First dose: Tuesday, December 29, 2020
- Second dose: Tuesday, January 19, 2021

In preparation for these clinics, **an ECH staff member will contact you by this Friday, December 18 to obtain verbal consent** for your loved one which is required in order to receive the vaccine. [Here](#) is an example of the consent form and [here](#) is a frequently asked questions document that you may find helpful.

Dr. Brian Heppard, ESLC Medical Director, is joining me tomorrow, Wednesday, December 16 at 12:00 p.m. for our weekly resident/family call to review this information and answer any questions. To access the call, dial (312) 757-3121/Access Code: 847-361-053. You may also submit your questions ahead of time to COVID19@EpiscopalSeniorLife.org so we can make sure to cover them on the call.

Along with my colleagues, we are looking forward to a time in the near future where you can be reunited in person with your loved one. This vaccine is the first step in making that possible. We hope you will join us by participating.

Please let me know if you have any questions – (585) 546-8439 x3106 or ateugeman@EpiscopalSeniorLife.org. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Amanda Teugeman
ECH Administrator/VP of Healthcare Services