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The facilities in the Beecan Health network are proactive in their response to the fluid environment around COVID-19 and share the concerns of the residents and their families, our staff, and the local communities they serve. Each facility is focused on minimizing the spread of COVID-19 and following the recommendations, and updates, made by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and local public health agencies. The leadership at each facility is fully dedicated to doing all they can to minimize the impact of this pandemic in their buildings and communities.

The steps we have taken to minimize potential exposure include:

- Restricting nonessential visitors and vendors
- Screening all essential visitors and staff
- Social distancing and restricted movements for those in the facility
- Discontinuing group dining and communal activities

To mitigate the spread of COVID-19, and following CMS guidelines, the facilities are restricting visitation from resident's families and friends. Facilities are allowed to accept visitors for compassionate situations such as end-of-life care, but these visitors are subject to a health screening. Once screened, these visitors will be required to wear personal protective equipment, such as masks, and their movement within the facility will be limited to certain areas.

We have also supplied all of our facilities with tablets to enable video conferencing between family members using Zoom Video Conferencing, which can be arranged by calling the facility directly.

Group activities and communal dining have been discontinued until further notice. Staff are conducting room visits to provide recreation and activities, and meals are being served in residents rooms.

In spite of these challenges, it is important for you to continue contact with our residents, so they feel the love and support of their friends and relatives. We encourage you to reach out to our residents, and we will be happy to help coordinate your communication with them in any way we can.

Thank you for entrusting your loved one to our care, and thank you for your understanding and patience as we navigate these times together.

For more information regarding the COVID-19 pandemic, please visit www.CoronaVirus.gov