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RE: Positive COVID test results received for a Pinecrest staff member

Dear resident/resident representative,

Yesterday Pinecrest nursing staff continued routine COVID testing of Pinecrest staff due to the positivity rate in Ogle County. During this routine testing, two staff members tested positive for COVID-19. Pinecrest retested the staff members with PCR tests that were sent to the lab yesterday to confirm the positive results received with the rapid test. We should receive those results in 2-3 days. The staff members were sent home immediately and they will not return to work until cleared by the Ogle County Health Department. The staff members worked throughout the facility. Due to patient privacy laws, we are unable to share any further specific information about the confirmed cases in our facility.

The Ogle County Health Department and Pinecrest staff have been notified of the potential exposure. Pinecrest will test all Pinecrest Manor and Terrace residents today, December 29 and Saturday, January 2 using rapid tests. If all resident tests are negative, no further testing will be required unless someone develops symptoms.

We will provide weekly written updates to you via our website at:  
<https://www.pinecrestcommunity.org/Pinecrest-Information/COVID-19-pandemic-information>

If you are unable to access our website, please notify us at 815-734-4103 and we will mail you the weekly update.

If you have any questions about the information in this letter, please do not hesitate to call or email me at [flabash@pinecrestcommunity.org](mailto:flabash@pinecrestcommunity.org). You may also contact Jolene LeClere, Administrator of Health Services, at 815-734-4103 or email [jleclere@pinecrestcommunity.org](mailto:jleclere@pinecrestcommunity.org).

We look forward to the added protection that the COVID vaccine will provide residents and staff against this virus. As a reminder, our first vaccinations will take place on January 4. Thank you for your continued support and prayers for the safety of our residents and staff.

Together we are stronger!

Sincerely,

Ferol J. Labash  
Chief Executive Officer