

MEMORANDUM

Date: May 26, 2020

To: TLRC Residents and Employees

From: R Kevin McFeely, President & CEO

Re: COVID-19 Testing

As you are most likely aware, a Federal mandate was announced two weeks ago whereby all residents and employees at each of the 15,000+ nursing homes in the United States must be tested for COVID-19. This action is being extended by State officials for Assisted Living, Adult Family Homes and other types of residential settings.

Therefore, we were notified by the Washington Department of Health that TLRC must now test each Nursing Home and Assisted Living resident along with each TLRC and contracted employee. As a result, we will begin the testing on Thursday, May 28th and expect to conclude it no later than Tuesday, June 2nd.

Based on language received, this is not a voluntary test, but instead a mandatory test. The good news is that the test swabs we have received from the Department of Health are a nasal swab, which does not require deep insertion into the nose to obtain a specimen. These swabs have proven to be highly accurate and we are pleased to offer this type of testing to our residents and employees.

As a reminder, we continue to be COVID-19 free at TLRC. As mentioned previously, this testing is being done as a government mandate, not as a result of positive COVID-19 cases on campus. Please know we will continue to adhere to the protocols currently in place in order to guard against development of cases of COVID-19. Our team here has done a great job in keeping our residents and employees COVID-19 free and it is because of their diligence in observing these protocols. I recognize these may be bothersome, but again they are necessary at this point in time.

Please do not hesitate to contact Brita Carpenter or myself should you have any questions. Thank you again for your understanding with all that is being done here at TLRC to keep our residents and employees safe and healthy.