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Dear Residents, Families and Team Members,

We hope this letter finds you safe and well.

Today is an exciting and potentially pivotal day for our country. As we await the decision of the FDA regarding the emergency use authorization for the Pfizer Covid-19 vaccine, the senior leadership team has been working diligently to understand the opportunity and the potential barriers to enabling residents and team members to receive the vaccine.

As you likely are aware, yesterday Governor Baker presented an outline of the plan specifically for residents of Massachusetts. During the presentation, Governor Baker stated that residents and team members in skilled nursing homes, and assisted living communities are included in phase one of the vaccine timeline. What is not clear is whether or not independent living communities are included in that group. He went on to say the initial 60,000 doses are expected to be delivered to hospitals by 12/15, there are 165,000 people in that group. A total of 300,000 doses are expected by early February. (Handouts from the presentation are attached to this letter).

We, along with thousands of other long-term care communities, are participating in a program with the Centers for Disease Control to provide an efficient distribution of the vaccines to residents once they are available. Earlier this week we attended a webinar put on by CVS pharmacy, our partner pharmacy for the vaccine clinics to be held at Loomis Village. The program outlines the 10 steps involved in preparing for and vaccinating eligible residents and team members (again it is not clear if the independent living residents are included in the eligible group). The steps are clear and well planned by CVS. What is not clear to anyone yet is the "when". It does seem as though when the flood gates open we will need to move quickly.

Our first step is to begin determining who will be accepting the vaccine when the clinics are held. The vaccine is not mandatory but we are hopeful that most residents and team members will take advantage of this exceptional opportunity. You will receive something from us shortly for you to indicate yes or no for the vaccine. We thank you in advance for returning that to us as soon as possible.

Please know that the safety and wellbeing of residents and team members have been and remain our top priority. We are confident that the worldwide, unprecedented scientific achievement of these Covid-19 vaccines will eventually enable us to enjoy life with our loved ones again soon.

With appreciation,

The Loomis Senior Leadership Team (Marge, Carly, Toni, Carol, Maureen, Lori, Rob, and Patrick)