



BERGEN COUNTY HEALTH CARE CENTER
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January 7, 2021

Dear BCHCC family,

A COVID-19 vaccine administration clinic is scheduled to be held here at BCHCC this Sunday from 10AM-4PM. (Additional clinics will be on January 31st and February 21st). Staff from CVS pharmacy will be here on those dates to administer the COVID-19 Pfizer vaccine to residents and staff who wish to get it. In conjunction with our nursing department CVS staff will visit residents in their rooms and provide the much anticipated shot. Our staff will monitor residents to identify any reactions to the vaccine. Staff who have signed up for the vaccine will also receive it that day. We will make sure that staff who are not getting the vaccine will be on duty so that residents continue to receive their regular care.

COVID-19 Testing of residents and staff are continuing. We are using-rapid tests on our staff every other day to make sure that we identify any positive cases, as soon as possible. You have been receiving notification e-mail of our testing results.

PPE Equipment gowns, N-95 masks, visors, gloves and head covering are used by staff who work on our cottages. The County is providing us with a continuous flow of this essential basic need.

Guidelines from CDC and CMS comes to us regularly. We review these directives, plus those from the NJ Dept. of Health, to continue to refine and enhance our policies and practices. We consult with Dr. Ho, our medical director and Dr. Ko, our infection doctor. They are a contact source of knowledge and guidance as we move through this pandemic.

Family Circle virtual gatherings take place every Monday evening at 7pm. Harvey and staff bring you up to date about life here at BCHCC and answer your questions. Invitations are e-mailed to you weekly with information as to how to join us. Please be a part of this meaningful time together.

Business Brief When dropping off checks or copies of important documentation to the Business Office regarding your loved one, please place the information in a sealed envelope, addressed to the "Business Office", indicate your loved one's last name and date of drop off on the envelope. Federal Government stimulus payments may be requested by the Financial Power of Attorney on record. The Bergen County Counsel has prepared a letter that must be signed by the Financial Power of Attorney indicating that that person is one hundred percent responsible for those dollars once released by the Health Care Center. The original, signed letter must be received by the Business Office before the check can be released. Please call Carol-Anne Langford at 201-750-8313 to request this letter.

Please remember that issues specific to a resident should be directed to the cottage staff or Harvey and Diane. They can be reached at 201-750-8310 or email us at hsilberstein@co.bergen.nj.us or Diane (acting DON) at dholzberg@co.bergen.nj.us. Please visit our website at <https://www.co.bergen.nj.us/health-care-center> and view our food menus, activity calendars, outbreak plan policy and a review of some of the things we have learned about dealing with the COVID-19 virus.

Sincerely,

Harvey Silberstein, Administrator Diane Holzberg, Acting DON

MISSION: Bergen County Health Care Center is committed to providing individualized, exceptional and compassionate services to our residents, nurturing mind, body and spirit to support optimum quality of life and independence.