



**February 5, 2021**

**Dear Friends, Families, Residents and Caregivers,**

We encourage our residents, staff and families of our community to become vaccinated against COVID-19. And remember, even after vaccination, please continue to maintain physical distancing, use caution when attending gatherings, wear a mask and practice hand hygiene. We remain focused on principles of cleanliness set forth by Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

We are participating with the Vaccine Partnership Program. Our pharmacy partner is providing onsite vaccination clinics for our staff and residents. The vaccine includes a series of two injections, scheduled 21 to 28 days apart.

CVS Pharmacy will be completing the last vaccine clinic in house on February 15th. We are pleased to announce that our Staff has a 72 % vaccination rate, so far! We have also teamed up with IRMC to assist with Staff vaccinations needs in our community. They are great partners! Residents who have received the first vaccine as short-term rehabilitation discharged home will return to get the second vaccine, here. We are pleased that we were able to get the Pfizer vaccine as it has been effective against the variant strains.

The public can learn more about the COVID-19 vaccine from two key sources:

- The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) offers information for the public about [what to expect at your vaccination appointment](#).
- The Pennsylvania Department of Health has a [vaccine page for families](#) to reference. This will help with understanding about vaccination eligibility and locations.

These links and other vaccine information are presented on our website's [COVID-19 page](#) as well as updates, videos, links and frequently asked questions.

We are monitoring our county positivity rates in the hopes that we can invite you back into the facility to visit your loved one. Our current visitation protocols will remain in place until there are new recommendation and guidance provided by the CDC, Department of Health (DOH) and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

Currently, Indiana County has a total of 4,825 cases with 151 deaths.

Our Facility's Resident Impact (May 15, 2020 through February 4, 2021):

Number of cases	
0	ADMISSIONS: Residents admitted or readmitted who were previously hospitalized and treated for COVID-19
0	CONFIRMED: Residents with new laboratory positive COVID-19
0	SUSPECTED: Residents with new suspected COVID-19
47	TOTAL DEATHS: Residents who died in the facility or another location
22	COVID-19 DEATHS: Residents with suspected or laboratory positive COVID-19 who died in the facility or another location.

Family members and all others impacted by the virus will be contacted and provided with results/updates. We continue to test twice weekly, which is determined by the PA Department of Health based on the county positivity rate.

Well, the Groundhog saw his shadow which means six more weeks of winter weather! We have continued Groundhog Day since **March 13, 2020!** Let us have HOPE that the vaccine will allow us to return to some form of normalcy in our lives! Your loved ones miss you and so do we! Can't wait until we can be together again!

**Sincerely,**

*Kim Cobaugh and Communities at Indian Haven Family*

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