



February 4, 2021

Dear residents and family members:

A brighter year is underway, and we are welcoming 2021 with renewed enthusiasm. As you know, we are currently in the process of vaccinating residents and team members against COVID-19. To date, approximately 5,200 vaccine doses have been administered to the residents and team members of Touchmark, and we are working diligently to ensure all remaining individuals are vaccinated as quickly as possible. As a company, we are at the lowest case counts we have been at since early summer 2020. This is beyond exciting and allows us to focus on the future of the full life at Touchmark.

We know some people have expressed concerns about vaccine efficacy, but all available data clearly shows the vaccines are working to prevent illness. In fact, the New York Times reported this week that all five vaccines with public results eliminate COVID-19 deaths and drastically reduce hospitalizations. “All five of the vaccines—from Pfizer, Moderna, AstraZeneca, Novavax, and Johnson & Johnson—look extremely good. Of the roughly 75,000 people who have received one of the five in a research trial, not a single person has died from COVID, and only a few people appear to have been hospitalized. None have remained hospitalized 28 days after receiving a shot.” This is good news to keep in mind as we begin resuming more activities and events, visiting with loved ones, and sharing meals.

Without a doubt, there is a tangible buoyancy and raised spirits following the vaccinations. We are consulting with our medical director and soliciting guidance from federal, state, and local health and governmental agencies regarding requirements for further infection control procedures following vaccinations. For now, we will still need to practice precautions until the curve has been flattened more across the country. We celebrate that and look forward to engaging in even more of the full life throughout Touchmark.

I extend my deepest thanks to each one of you for your efforts to remain healthy and keep others around you safe. Our COVID-19 Task Force will continue working



tirelessly with each state and local jurisdiction to arrange for comprehensive vaccine coverage for those team members and residents who have not already been vaccinated. This is a top priority for us, and it is our goal to ensure that vaccines are available for everyone who lives and works at Touchmark. If you have any questions about the status of vaccines in your community, please do not hesitate to contact your Executive Director or Health Services team.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marcus P. Breuer".

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