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As the cases in the community rise, including cases in long-term care facilities involving staff and in one home, residents, we are continuing to increase the preventative measures we can take at Saint Vincent's to minimize our risk and keep our residents and staff safe.

We remain closed to all visitors, family members and volunteers in addition to non-essential outside contractors and health care providers. Over the weekend we began actively screening all those entering the facility. This includes taking the employees' temperature to ensure they are not experiencing a fever. We also added a twice daily temperature check for all residents in addition to the regular screening.

Today we sent two swabs for testing on residents who are experiencing influenza-like illness and one staff member was recommended for testing by 811. We expect results for all three cases in the next 24-48 hours.

As mentioned in the update from early Saturday, we evaluated our practice of accepting dropped off items for our residents and today made the difficult decision to stop accepting them. Wherever possible we want to minimize risk and limit exposure. Our tuck trolley is still rolling with treats and personal items. If your loved one doesn't order things for themselves, we can set it up upon your request.

We continue to update and revise our plans as things evolve. Please reach out if you need more information or would like to set up a video chat or call with a resident.