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**TO:** LifeStream at Northeast Phoenix  
Assisted Living Residents  
and Associates

**FROM:** Donna Taylor,  
Chief Operating Officer

**CC:** Family Members

**DATE:** August 20, 2020

**SUBJECT:** COVID-19  
Precautionary Testing

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### Update

The Arizona Department of Health Services (“ADHS”) is implementing its plan to expand precautionary COVID-19 testing to staff and Residents of Arizona’s Assisted Living communities. Working in coordination with ADHS, we have scheduled our first of two rounds of precautionary testing for Assisted Living Residents and Associates for Friday, August 28 at 8 a.m. Residents will have PCR (nasal swab) tests, and Associates will be serology (antibody) tested. The second round of testing, scheduled for Friday, September 4 at 8 a.m., will be PCR (nasal swab) tests for only the Associates that tested negative in the first-round of serology testing.

We will be coming around with ADHS-required consent forms that need to be completed by each person being tested. While ADHS does allow for Residents and Associates to opt-out of testing, we would appreciate your participation with this procedure as we continue to monitor and care for our community’s wellbeing.

### Important Information

*\* A PCR (nasal swab) test is a “point-in-time” test and is not an indicator of any past infection, future infection or possible antibodies that may have been developed against COVID-19. A negative test result means that SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) was not present at the time the PCR test was given.*

*\* A COVID-19 serology test is a blood test that looks for coronavirus antibodies. If the result is negative, the individual has not been exposed to the virus or may have been exposed very recently and antibodies have not yet been produced. If the test is positive, it means their body has developed some immune response to the virus. At this time, it is not known how much immunity is provided with a positive result.*

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