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EP!C Families, Guardians, and Advocates,

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Well, here we are at the end of April, and as we may all have predicted, the Governor extended the “Stay at Home” order for another month. Unfortunately, we will need to continue our restrictions on entry to our homes and the main Townline building until Monday, June 1st.

The extension of the Stay at Home order was one of two disappointments this week. We found out another one of our homes has two positive cases of the virus. To date, we have had 5 residents from 3 different homes test positive. The first 3 residents continue to be symptom-free. The two new residents that recently tested positive are stable and resting comfortably at this time.

Throughout this next week, we will be changing our staffing patterns to 12- hour shifts from three 8-hour shifts. 12-hour shifts will further reduce the number of staff that work at any one home. Like you and the rest of the world, EP!C is committed to meet the challenges of this pandemic.

The Department of Human Services (IDHS) is working on guidelines for the reopening of Day Services. EP!C will continue to participate in our statewide provider networks as we prepare for the day we can see and support our friends who live at home or with other provider agencies.

I would like to continue to thank the families that have taken the time to bring in home-cooked meals or purchased meals for the homes. It is a welcome relief to staff members and a delicious treat for everyone. Our staff especially appreciate this because it allows them to spend less time with meal preparation and clean up and more time meeting each individual’s needs.

Remember at any time you have questions please feel free to call or email:

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Take care,
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