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To the residents and families at Christian Health Care Center:

As we prepare to administer the COVID-19 vaccine at Christian Health Care Center (CHCC), the safety, protection, and well-being of our residents, patients, and staff remain our top priority.

Through CHCC's heightened safety and cautionary analysis, our internal experts and medical staff have and continue to carefully evaluate all recommendations. As physician leaders, we are confident in the vaccine and encourage all those who are able to receive the COVID-19 vaccine to do so.

Our partnership with CVS and Walgreens to distribute and administer the vaccine will certainly be a big step forward in mitigating the COVID-19 virus and protecting ourselves and our community. While the vaccines can only be administered with informed consent, it is our recommendation to receive the COVID-19 vaccine with confidence.

The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine has been approved for use by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration; this authorization is a result of focused and collaborative work by scientific and medical experts across the world and testing on thousands of individuals in compliance with current U.S. government standards. Based on the totality of scientific evidence that is available, the authorized vaccine has not only been determined to be safe for use, but it has also been demonstrated to be highly effective.

CHCC's medical staff and extensive team of doctors continue to work alongside the New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to ensure safe vaccine distribution following all recommendations and guidelines. We are looking forward to our upcoming distribution of the vaccine, and doing our part to further safeguard our residents, patients, staff, and ultimately beyond to our community from COVID-19.

As information and schedules become available to CHCC, all consent information, requirements and overall processes will be disseminated promptly to our residents, families, and staff.

CHCC is committed to remaining transparent and sharing accurate and timely information with our residents, patients, health-care team, staff, and community. As always, for further information, please visit CHCC's dedicated COVID-19 web page here, and on the CDC website.

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