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ALL STEIN ANCILLARY THERAPY PARTNERS:

Stein Ancillary Services is continuing to monitor and react accordingly with all updated guidance being issued from CDC, Federal and State agencies. We understand the stress that all our partner facilities are operating under and want to make sure that we are taking all precautions necessary in our department to assist in the process of making sure each facility's physical plant remains as sterile and properly sanitized as possible. We have updated our sanitation requirements in the therapy department and on all equipment. Regarding treating your residents that have orders for physical, occupational or speech therapy, SAS is following the guidance given by the CDC that states, "Patients should receive any interventions they would normally receive as standard of care. Patients with suspected or confirmed Covid-19 should be asked to wear a surgical mask as soon as they are identified and be evaluated in a private room with the door closed. Healthcare personnel entering the room should use Standard and Transmission based precautions." We believe that maximizing the strength and stamina of your residents through active therapy protocols provides the greatest level of virus prevention.

Additionally, SAS will no longer be doing any group therapy treatments. Therapists will be working one on one with their residents and making sure that when multiple residents are in the therapy gym that we maintain a minimum of six feet of separation between residents. We will additionally try to stagger treatments to keep the fewest number of residents in the gym at the same time. Any of our staff that are treating at multiple facilities will be following CDC guidelines under direction of our corporate clinical team and will also adhere to any facility specific procedures that may be asked of them to prevent the risk of infection.

We value the relationship that we have with each of our partner facilities and will continue to monitor the situation closely and update our policies as needed. Our corporate nursing team has also been on this issue and if your facility has any questions that you feel we could assist in answering, please contact your Regional Manager and they can help to get you in touch with our team. As nursing home owners, our corporate team is aware of the specific challenges that are being faced daily and want to be an active part of assisting each of our clients through the process of keeping all of our residents as safe as possible.

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