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Hi all

I hope that you are all well and safe!

We are all doing well here at the Pointe. We thought that you may enjoy photos of “Inside the Lockdown”. I wanted to call it “Photos From The Gulag” but didn’t want to sound **too** negative! To access the photos, go here:

<https://harrisonpointe.ca/hi-from-staff-and-residents/>

The photos scroll through but they are set to a fairly slow speed, so you can also click on the arrows to move through them. Our goal is to get photos of your loved ones (those that aren’t on the Witness Protection Program and have to remain incognito) up on the site so you can see that they are doing okay!

I want you to know that our staff have been isolating at home and only going out to get groceries or work. When they go out, they have gloves, mask, eye protection and hand sanitizer. Myself and our staff continue to be the only weak link in our defense of your loved ones, so I want you to know that we are very vigilant in monitoring our staff’s conduct and our own conduct.

We are extremely concerned with the apparent imminent move to loosen up the regulations on movement and reopen the province and country as a whole. History has a way of repeating itself and there is much that we can learn from looking at how this has played out in the past.

The Spanish Flu (which is a misnomer because we now know that it too originated in China) killed several million in the First Wave. But the Second Wave killed 50 million (estimated that it is probably higher) and the Third Wave killed as many as the First. Three Waves. And all because people went back to “normal” too soon.



As we listen to our politicians talking about returning to normal and relaxing the protocols now, my team and I think that that is the wrong move.

We were about 4 to 6 weeks ahead of the Health Authority when this started and I feel that we will be the same behind them when it ends. In other words, we will be cautious about relaxing our protocols and not necessarily following their guidelines when they tell us to all return to “normal life”.

We have stepped up the activities here and try to keep the groups to around a dozen, spaced 2 metres apart. We will continue to deliver all meals to their suites for the foreseeable future.

Thank you all for your continued support! We have an incredible group of residents here – all dear to our hearts!!

Your support makes us able to continue to keep your loved ones safe.

If you would like to facetime or skype them, please call reception and set it up.

Thank you and be safe!

Sincerely,

Glenn S. Bell, BCLS, ASCT
Co-Owner and General Manager