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Dear ASPEN Family,  
June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020

Can you believe it! We are living through another pandemic! I never thought that I would see another one at my age! At this difficult time we know that it is important to you and to me, to have you visit. I encourage you to do so. The Saskatchewan government in conjunction with the Saskatchewan Health Authority released yesterday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, that they will allow Special Care Home residents to have outdoor visits with our loved ones.

There is a way to visit us; they have worked out a plan. If you wish to see us please call the office at (306)367 – 2033 so that we can arrange a time to see you and that we are prepared to see you. We will even brush our hair and get out of our Jammies, as everyone seems to be wearing nothing but Jammies these days. We were told it's the new COVID 19, working from home trend. The staff also told us that they will do their best to make us outstanding looking but remember we haven't had a haircut since March, so we may look a little different. We also need you to call because we need to make sure that we don't have too many visitors at the same time. Our "Outdoor Visits" will be held in the front courtyard of ASPEN MANOR, our home.

When you are visiting me, please remember that we are a vulnerable population. We ask that you examine who you have been in contact with as it affects me, my family that I live with and the staff here at Bethany.

Here are some guidelines to follow when you come to visit:

- 1) Our visitors must complete a screening tool
- 2) Our visitors must practice proper hand hygiene
- 3) Our visitors must have their temperatures taken
- 4) Our visitors must wear a mask if the need to be closer than 2m to visit
- 5) We must maintain social distancing at all times. It is really tempting to touch hands my hand or give me a hug; this is not permitted because this has the potential of passing along germs. I love you but can't touch you at this time
- 6) It will be outside, so make sure you dress for the weather.
- 7) Keep your visit to 45 minutes or less, this way if more families want to visit their loved ones we will be able to accommodate everyone.
- 8) Book a time to visit with me with the office
- 9) Be able to name all the people that you have come into contact with in the past 14 days, if it's been more than 10 people then we ask you not to come and visit

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- 10) Bring along all the loved ones that want to see me but remember we have to maintain our social distance. Family members from the same household do not have to physically distance from one another
- 11) If you are experiencing any kind of illness, STAY HOME!
- 12) Arrange visits in advance to ensure that staff are available to assist if needed
  
- 13) If there is an outbreak changes may need to be made to outdoor visitation. The following guidelines apply in non- outbreak situations.

If we follow these guidelines right now, we will have a better chance of keeping everyone safe at this difficult time. If we monitor this situation and these guidelines are not adhered to we will lose our visitation privileges. Visitation plans may be adjusted as we learn what works through feedback from our residents, families and staff.

We ask all of you at this time to please follow the above guidelines so that we can make sure everyone has an opportunity to social interact with us.

We will be able to start outdoor visiting on June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Our visiting times will be as follows:

Seven days a week: 9:30 – 11:00 am; 1:30 pm – 4:30pm; 6pm – 8:00pm (avoid 3pm on weekends)

This has been a difficult time for everyone, not just us but the staff also misses our Bethany families. Please be patient, kind and aware of the many pressing things that the staff do for us. They are trying to do the very best that they can do. With keeping up with all the changes and they do change every day and sometimes every minute. One friend told me, "We are in the business of crazy making around here." If you prefer to contact me through phone or social media such as Face Time or Duo, please call the office and we can help set this up so that we make sure it is at the best time for me to visit.

These guidelines could change at any time as we navigate through this time. Please check back to this page or give us a call at the office.

If you have any questions or concerns surrounding these guidelines please give us a call at the office at (306)367 – 2033.

Once again, thank you for having patience with us and helping us to implement these policies. Hopefully soon we will be able to welcome you all back into our home and enjoy each other's company again.

Thank you, Your LOVED ONE

P.S. We are so excited to see you!