



Maryhaven Center of Hope
Catholic Health Services
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I hope all of you are beginning to enjoy time outside as the weather improves. I'd like to wish a belated Mother's Day to all of our Maryhaven moms!

As we await further guidance from the Governor and local government agencies regarding any potential easing of restrictions in place to reduce the spread of the virus, I want to share a bit of good news.

At its peak in mid-April, Covid-19 impacted 81 staff and individuals, which represented a combination of Persons Under Investigation (PUIs) and positive cases. Today that number stands at 6. Although this is uplifting news and cause for optimism, it should not give anyone a false sense of security. I have asked the staff to continue to be diligent in taking all necessary precautions to maintain their safety, the safety of our individuals and the safety of those around them at work and at home.

A preliminary 'Return to Normalcy' plan has been developed and will be shared with agency individuals, staff, and families once we receive clear directives on how and when day services will re-open across the agency. It is still uncertain how this would safely happen. Therefore, this plan will be subject to change and consultation by our Emergency Response Team. Until family visitation restrictions are lifted, we have asked our staff to make every attempt to put parents and siblings in touch with their loved one through Face time, Skype, etc. We realize this has been an especially trying on the individuals and family members.

Again, I want to express my deep gratitude for the personal responsibility each of you has taken to minimize the impact of the Coronavirus. I wish you all continued good health and happiness.

Sincerely,

Charles Vanek
Chief Administrative Officer