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Dear FutureCare Residents and Families,

Last week, we announced that FutureCare facilities would be offering the one-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine to eligible staff and residents at clinics, in conjunction with our long-term care pharmacy, Remedi Senior Care.

Today, Remedi Senior Care announced that the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) is recommending a temporary pause in the use of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine out of an abundance of caution while data is reviewed to ensure the safety of the vaccine.

We will provide additional information as it becomes available. In the meantime, our clinics providing the Johnson & Johnson vaccine will be put on hold until further notice.

It is important to note that 6.8 million people in the United States have received this vaccine, according to data from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and the CDC. There have been six reported cases of a rare and severe type of blood clot found in recipients of the immunization. The six cases were reported in women aged 18 to 48, and all experienced symptoms within 13 days after injection. Federal regulators are currently reviewing these six cases.

We are monitoring residents who have received the Johnson & Johnson vaccine for any adverse reactions. FutureCare residents or staff who have received the Johnson & Johnson vaccine who develop severe headache, abdominal pain, leg pain, or shortness of breath within three weeks after vaccination should contact us immediately.

While we await further information regarding the status of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, we will continue to pursue any available vaccine options that we become aware of for our unvaccinated staff and residents.

As of the date of this letter, the government has not provided the long-term care industry with an alternate plan or access to administer any vaccines on an ongoing basis, but we will keep you informed when there are new developments.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Executive Director

