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Your Bridge to Health & Home

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Dear Fort Hudson Family Member,

As you may be aware, a Federal mandate was placed on nursing facilities three years ago which requires every facility in the country to have complete fire sprinkler coverage by August of 2013. Fort Hudson has made the necessary plans in order to comply, as we only have approximately one-third of our building covered. I would note that the facility has always complied with building codes in place at the time of construction, as is the normal practice.

Beginning **Monday February 13th**, we will be initiating our sprinkler upgrade project. Our implementation and safety plan during this project has been submitted to and accepted by the Department of Health. The project will include installation on each of our resident units (to varying degrees), beginning with S wing. Every effort will be made to minimize the disruption this project is expected to cause. Most importantly, work will only be conducted between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., and at no time will any resident be relocated to another room over night. It will be necessary to have impacted rooms vacated for the majority of the day (estimated to be 4-6 rooms per day). Alternative arrangements will be made in advance for residents impacted during any given day.

As this project proceeds, please never hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns. I encourage you to contact myself, or John Boyce Director of Plant Operations. In addition, the nurse manager of the nursing unit will be intimately involved in the planning on a daily basis, and can likely answer any question related to resident care.

As always, thank you for the privilege of providing service to our loved one.

Sincerely

Andrew Cruikshank
Chief Executive Officer