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Vaccinations underway at Mercy Home

EAGLE LAKE, Maine (Dec. 28, 2020) – Employees and residents of Mercy Home are in the process of receiving the Part 1 injection of a two-part vaccine against COVID-19 (SARS CoV-2). The shot was offered today to residents and employees of the nursing home and its residential unit; followed by affiliated Northern Maine General staff who may be called to Mercy Home, such as Maintenance and Human Relations; followed by residents of Franciscan Home; and, finally, followed by as many Franciscan Home employees as this vaccine allotment allows.

The parking lot was full at 2:30 p.m. today, as employees waited in their vehicles prior to entering one at a time into the nursing home for a vaccination clinic administered by Charlie Ouellette of St. John Valley Pharmacy in Fort Kent, NMG's pharmacy partner. Several employees came in on their day off to participate in this first clinic. An additional clinic or two will follow.

The only employees allowed to enter the facility today were those who have tested negative on COVID-19 tests thus far. A press release issued this morning states that 13 residents and 8 employees have active COVID-19, with additional monitoring underway. NMG is following federal and state protocols regarding separating those residents and employees.

The vaccination was not mandatory for employees, but many took the opportunity to protect themselves from community spread and to do their part in protecting the most vulnerable among us; most notably, seniors.

More information will be provided as it becomes available.

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