

## **STAFF UPDATE FROM PRESIDENT PAUL CARLSEN – March 16, 2020**

Team LTC,

I have never doubted our ability to pull through this, but today was a refreshing reminder we absolutely will. Thank you to everyone for your positivity and flexibility as we navigate these uncharted waters.

At a press conference this afternoon, the President of the United States discouraged social gatherings of more than 10 people. We are awaiting official guidance on this matter from the CDC. Once that guidance is released, we will pivot appropriately. In the meantime, continue to practice social distancing and avoid congregating in the hallways. When possible, work from home. Contact your supervisor or the Human Resources Department to review options.

If you suspect you have COVID-19, current advice is to NOT go directly to a health care provider and ask for a test. Health care systems are urging people to FIRST call their health care provider so proper precautions can be taken to protect health care workers, patients, and visitors.

Thanks, Paul