



BROAD REACH
HEALTHCARE

*A Dedicated Care Space
if COVID-19 Positive Occurs at Liberty Commons*

As this COVID battle continues, we are steadfast in the belief that our responses will be more thorough and our staff better-prepared if we take definitive steps, cognizant of all possibilities. As the Commonwealth continues to get ready for its surge in the coming week, we are preparing for the potential of a patient/resident in our care to be COVID+. We are going to do this by converting the lower level rehabilitation clinic space to a designated inpatient care unit, exclusively for those with a COVID+ diagnosis. Beds now allocated to the Pleasant Bay unit will be redeployed to this distinct area, completely isolating any with a COVID+ diagnosis from the rest of our population. *Please note that this is not being initiated with any expectation that we will admit new COVID+ patients from outside.*

A 24/7 nursing team will be exclusive to this care area. That team will be nowhere else in Liberty Commons, with separate nursing workstation and all supporting infrastructure. The physical segregation of this wing of the building extends to the HVAC system, which is a further enhancement. Construction of modular walls and other changes in layout are underway now, again, so that if the diagnosis occurs, we are able to swiftly move into action. It is an action that we hope never becomes necessary.