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December 22, 2020

Dear Colleagues,

I'm writing with two important updates about the Clubhouse.

First, a member of our clubhouse staff believes they were exposed to Covid-19 early last week. Anyone who was in on Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday last week (December 15, 16 or 18) may have been exposed as well and should quarantine for the next 14 days. If you have any symptoms please consult with your health care provider.

Given that this is our second exposure since mid-November, and with cases rising rapidly in the community, we've decided it is safest for all to suspend in-person activities, effective immediately, through at least the end of February. This was not an easy decision to make, but we believe it's the best way to protect our Clubhouse colleagues.

On a positive note, we can rely on the knowledge we've gained these past months to engage with one another virtually, via cell phones and zoom! We will be relying on your input to provide meaningful programming and to stay in touch with, and support each other. Suggest a cooking group, a home repair group, technology group, or anything you feel captures the Clubhouse spirit!

To connect with us on zoom, email jherbick@jrspgh.org. We can provide you with all of the information you need to stay connected! If you need a smartphone or access to an internet connection, we can help with that, too, just let us know.

This has been a difficult time for everyone, and we certainly miss connecting in person. We will get through this by staying connected virtually and reaching out to each other. Please stay posted for additional letters and updates, and thank you for being a part of the Clubhouse community.

Sincerely,



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Sally and Howard Levin Clubhouse Director