

**WEEKLY UPDATE AND NOTIFICATION OF NEW CASE**

**October 25, 2020**

Dear Residents and Families/Representatives,

Please accept this letter as our weekly update regarding the status of COVID-19 in our facility and notification that we received confirmation on Friday that an employee tested positive for COVID-19, which brings our total number of cases since the onset of this pandemic to 7 residents and 7 staff members that have tested positive for the virus. As recap of our recent testing, on Tuesday, 10-20-20, 116 employees were tested, and all 116 were negative. On 10-20-20, we tested 108 residents, and all were negative. On Friday, 10-23-20, we tested a total of 116 employees and one was positive. Since we are using antigen testing, a PCR swab was sent to the lab for confirmation, and we are currently awaiting results. If the result is confirmed positive, we will test all the residents again. Our testing days are on Tuesdays and Fridays. We use antigen testing when test kits are available. If not, PCR testing is performed and sent to the local lab for processing. The facility is testing all staff twice a week due to the county positivity rate of 10.8%.

As always, we are working hard to keep everyone in our community safe and we will continue to practice the enhanced safety precautions that are known to prevent the spread of COVID-19, such as only essential personnel are allowed inside the facility and we screen them for signs and symptoms of illness prior to entering. Our residents are continually monitored and staff is using PPE as recommended by the CDC. Staff is frequently reminded and encouraged to practice social distancing and to use hand sanitizer and frequently wash their hands when they are in the facility and out in the community. We ask them not to report to work if they have symptoms of illness.

Please continue to check our website for weekly updates as well as notification of new cases. As always, we will notify you if we receive confirmation of a new positive case in our facility and we will reach out to you individually if your loved one is displaying symptoms of COVID-19 or tests positive for COVID-19.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact us directly at 775-626-2224.

Sincerely,

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