

WEEKLY UPDATE

10/15/20

Dear Residents and Families/Representatives,

Please accept this letter as our weekly update regarding the status of COVID-19 in our facility. Since the onset of this virus, we have had 32 residents and 22 staff members test positive for COVID-19. We have been COVID free for several months, but unfortunately, one employee tested positive last week. All the residents were administered rapid tests, which all came back negative. Since then we have had no new cases.

As you know, we have been preparing to safely allow visitors at our facility and we are so excited to for you to see your loved ones. As we previously reported, there are many factors that determine when a facility can open up for visitors, up to and including our county's COVID-19 positivity rate, residents' health status, or if there is a COVID outbreak in the facility. At this time since we have not been approved by state to visitation and have had a positive employee.

Also, we will be beginning visitation for Essential Caregivers who have been designated by the resident as someone who provides regular care and support to the resident. Each resident may have up to two (2) Essential Caregivers, but only one can visit at a time. Essential Caregiver visits will be limited in time depending on what our facility can safely accommodate. The visits will occur in designated areas which can be outdoors, in the resident's room or in any area of the facility that limits movement through the facility and interaction with other residents. If you have been designated as an Essential Caregiver, we will provide you with more specific procedures to ensure a safe visit with your loved one. If you wish to become an Essential Caregiver, please discuss this with your loved one or his/her legally responsible party and notify the facility.

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 806-355-8281.

Sincerely,

Janet Brown

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Administrator