



## **COVID NOTIFICATION/UPDATE**

August 18, 2020

To Our Valued Residents, Families and Representatives:

We apologize that we are a little late in providing you with our weekly update as we strive to remain transparent and provide you with all of the necessary and important information regarding COVID-19 and our facility.

We received confirmation yesterday that one of our staff members tested positive for COVID-19. Prior to receiving confirmation of the positive test result yesterday, this staff member has not worked in our facility since August 3rd (14 days). As you might recall, one other staff member tested positive for COVID-19 at the end of June, which brings our total number of cases since the onset of this pandemic to 2. While we are disappointed that another staff member tested positive for COVID-19 since we have worked so hard to prevent the spread of this virus in our facility, we know that we are dealing with an extremely contagious virus. Rather than be discouraged by this, we are going focus our efforts on taking all necessary steps to continue protect our residents and staff.

We will continue to implement and practice enhanced safety precautions recommended by our federal, state and local health officials, such as, only allowing essential personnel inside the facility, performing regular screenings for signs and symptoms of illness prior to entering the building, continually monitoring residents, performing regular deep cleanings, using PPE as recommended by the CDC, providing individual activities as opposed to group activities, implementing isolation protocols as required, and reminding and encouraging staff 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.

As a reminder, we will post updates on our facility website at and we will individually notify representatives/families regarding a resident's condition if he/she tests positive for COVID-19 or is displaying symptoms of COVID-19. If you have any questions or concerns please contact us directly at 254-981-7900.

Sincerely,

*Justin Falley*

Barry Walker  
Administrator