

WEEKLY UPDATE

June 10, 2020

Dear Residents and Families/Representatives,

As of today, we have a total of 24 residents and 25 staff members who tested positive for COVID. Fourteen staff members have recovered and have now returned to work. We have a total of fourteen residents in our COVID Unit; of which 4 of them have completed more than 14 days close monitoring and have remained stable. One of these four residents have now tested negative for two consecutive times so he will be moved out of the COVID unit and will be placed in our observation unit for further monitoring.

Our staff continues to practice the enhanced safety precautions we have previously reported to you through our website and we are closely monitoring the recommendations of our federal, state and local health officials regarding all aspects COVID-19 from mass testing to visitation recommendations.

In fact, as South Carolina continues to loosen COVID-19 restrictions throughout the state, many people are asking when they will be able to visit their loved ones. At this time, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (“CMS”), the Centers for Disease Control (“CDC”) and our state health officials still recommend we restrict social visitation and only allow essential personnel in the facility. Please understand these restrictions are in place to reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19 in our facility and to keep our residents safe.

We understand how difficult it has been to not see and visit your loved ones over the past several months and we appreciate your patience and understanding during this time. Until it is safe to allow visitors, please remember that we encourage you to stay in touch with your loved ones through FaceTime, emails, letters and phone calls. Please let us know if you are having trouble connecting with your loved one and we will be more than happy to facilitate your communication. We encourage our family members to continue doing window visits during the day on those residents whose rooms can be viewed thru the window.

Please remember to check our website for updates. 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. As always, please contact us directly at 843-537-2060 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Grace Villafranca
Administrator