



**8/11/2020**

Dear Resident, Family Member/Loved One,

**We had one symptomatic employee who has been out of work on a leave of absence for 10 days, who tested positive for COVID-19 on 8/10/2020 and will be out of work for an additional 10 days and 24 hours from symptom cessation according to the CDC guidelines. We also had one asymptomatic employee who tested positive for COVID-19 on 8/10/2020 during universal testing who will be out of work for 10 days and 24 hours from symptom cessation according to the CDC guidelines.**

We continue to screen all employees daily and employees have been informed to report to Infection control Nurse if they have any symptoms during their shift. If any employee reports symptoms they will leave the Facility and follow-up with our Infection Control Nurse for testing and return to work guidelines.

Our facility continues to have an adequate supply of PPE, but we are using it on a crisis/contingency plan according to CDC and CMS to preserve it. All employees are wearing face masks universally while in the building, and using eye protection whenever a staff member is within 6 feet of a resident or providing direct care. Full isolation including gowns, gloves, masks and eye protection are being used on those units identified as potential exposed or exposed to COVID-19.

We continue to follow COVID-19 policy and procedures including increased hand hygiene, increased sanitation of high touch surfaces and monitoring of employees, essential visitors, and residents.

We are testing employees weekly for COVID-19, and will continue weekly. During this week's universal testing we have tested employees this week and 71 have tested negative, 1 positive, the rest are pending. We will continue to keep you updated.

We are working hard on quick identification of any COVID-19 cases so that employees can be kept out of work and residents may be placed in appropriate zone for the care that they need.