

JOLLEY ACRES HEALTHCARE CENTER



WEEKLY UPDATE

July 22, 2020

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 a total of 11 residents and 5 staff members test positive for COVID-19. At this time, we have 3 residents still on isolation. And 3 of our staff have returned to work. We are feeling good that this may be almost over for us. Our staff has been very busy and very dedicated to caring for our residents and in preventing any further spread of the virus. We have been 8 days now without any new symptoms. We ask that the families be patient with us as we are all hands-on deck in the facility trying to keep our residents with as much normalcy as we can. I know there are times we are not available to take phone calls, but we will do our best to keep all of you updated. Our residents have been troopers and at times have had a word of encouragement for us. We look forward to reaching that day when families can come back in the facility and visit. We will let you know as soon as that is a reality.

As you might already know, the federal government announced last week that it is going to send point-of-care testing supplies for COVID-19 to all skilled nursing facilities in the country. We hope this means better access to testing and faster results for our staff and residents, but we will keep you posted as we get more information and details on this development. 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 803 534-1001. Take care and stay safe.

Sincerely,

Linda Blankenship

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Administrator