

## WEEKLY UPDATE

12/01/2020

Dear Residents and Families/Representatives,

Please accept this letter as our weekly update regarding the status of COVID-19 in our facility. This week, we had 3 Residents and 0 staff members test positive. Since the onset of this virus, we have had 69 residents and 34 staff members test positive for COVID-19. As of Sept 2, 2020, DHEC is requiring all facilities to perform mandatory testing of all employees. Frequency of testing will be dependent upon the percentage of cases within that facility's county. Because of these continued positives, we are required to test staff and residents every 3-7 days or if there is a new positive. Because of this, Outdoor Visitation must be suspended during the testing time. We still have the ability to conduct window visits and FaceTime via our facility iPads.

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 843-563-4602.

Sincerely,

*Vicki Sides, LNHA*

Vicki Sides  
Administrator



## **COVID-19 NOTIFICATION**

**12/2/20**

**Number of additional confirmed COVID-19 cases: 1**

Please continue to check our website for additional updates and information on what we are doing to help prevent further spread of COVID-19 in our facility.

If you have any questions or concerns about this notification, please contact us directly at 843-563-4602/843-563-4602.



## *Christmas Holiday Update*

Dear Residents/Families/Friends,

With Christmas and New Year's Eve around the corner, we would like to send you and your loved ones the warmest of holiday wishes. We know how difficult it is to celebrate this time of year without the same traditions we have all grown accustomed to, but with the COVID-19 vaccine becoming a reality in the very near future, we are more hopeful than ever that 2021 will bring happier and safer times for everyone.

As always, we are extremely grateful that you have entrusted your loved ones to our care and we are making every effort to provide our residents with wonderful holidays. On Tuesday, Santa took time out of his busy schedule and made an appearance at St. George Healthcare and passed gifts out to our residents. I wanted to let everyone know that we've been given new guidance regarding goods, mail, and food: any items delivered will be delivered to a designated area outside of the facility (there are boxes outside the front doors). They must be labeled with resident information. They do NOT have to go through a quarantine period, they can be delivered immediately to the resident. Resident can also receive outside food, however, once it enters resident rooms, it can NOT be placed into communal refrigerator. If it can't be stored safely in room, it must be discarded.

As a reminder, our cumulative number of cases to date are as follows: 75 residents and 36 staff members have tested positive for COVID-19. Because Dorchester County rates continue to be higher than 10%, we are required to test 2x/wk. Unfortunately, Outdoor Visitations are still suspended because of this. We still have the ability to conduct window visits and FaceTime via our facility I-pads. Our regular weekly updates will resume next week and we will continue to update you on our website if we receive notifications of new confirmed cases of COVID-19. As always, if you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact us directly.

On behalf of the entire staff at St. George Healthcare Center, I wish you a happy and safe Christmas and New Year's.

Sincerely,

Vicki Sides, Administrator



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12/30/2020

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Administrator



## WEEKLY UPDATE

12/08/2020

Dear Residents and Families/Representatives,

Please accept this letter as our weekly update regarding the status of COVID-19 in our facility. This week, we had 1 Residents and 1 staff member test positive. Since the onset of this virus, we have had 73 residents and 35 staff members test positive for COVID-19. As of Sept 2, 2020, DHEC is requiring all facilities to perform mandatory testing of all employees. Frequency of testing will be dependent upon the percentage of cases within that facility's county. Because of Dorchester County rates being higher than 10%, we are now required to test 2x/wk. Unfortunately, Outdoor Visitations are still suspended because of the facility positives. We still have the ability to conduct window visits and FaceTime via our facility I-pads.

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