



TO Residents, Families and Staff Members  
FROM Frances Lachowicz *Frances Lachowicz*  
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SUBJ Two Staff Members Have Tested Positive for COVID-19

During our scheduled testing protocol this week, two staff members received positive test results for COVID-19. Both are recovering at home and only will return to work in accordance with CDC guidelines. Please respect their privacy.

- A CNA, assigned to our skilled nursing care and rehab community, had not been at work for two days. This employee, who tested positive before returning to the third floor, had no contact with residents.
- A server, who was working in our dining room for assisted living residents, had a positive outcome for her test after working that day.

We regularly test all assisted living, rehab and skilled nursing care residents. Twice a week we test all staff members. And we will continue to do so until Mercy Circle can report 14 consecutive days with no new cases of the virus.

### ***Safely enjoy what Mercy Circle has to offer***

Daily life will continue as usual for our independent and assisted living as well as our memory care communities. Social distancing has been implemented for activities and dining rooms on the third floor until this Saturday.

Mercy Circle faithfully adheres to best practices by monitoring assisted living, memory care, rehab and skilled nursing care residents for symptoms. To contain the spread of COVID-19, we ask all other residents to not visit the skilled nursing care area until Saturday, February 4. Independent living residents, who suspect they have symptoms, should ask the receptionist to schedule a test for them. We screen all visitors before they visit residents or staff members.

Please practice these easy ways to protect yourself and each other.

- Frequently wash your hands.
- Always wear a mask in our common areas and in large crowds.
- Observe social distancing.
- Stay home if you are not feeling well.

Call me at 773-253-3627 if you have any questions or suggestions.