




TO Residents, Families and Staff Members
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SUBJ One CNA Has Tested Positive for COVID-19

On Wednesday evening, one CNA began experiencing symptoms associated with the virus and returned to Mercy Circle to take a test, which confirmed a positive outcome for COVID-19. Earlier that day, this staff member had cared for assisted living and skilled nursing care residents. Our employee immediately went home to recuperate, and will only return to work in accordance with CDC guidelines. Please respect this individual's privacy.

On Thursday, we tested all assisted living, rehab and skilled nursing care residents. And all have negative results for the virus. As of today, all employees have been tested twice this week and all results were negative. Mercy Circle will continue this testing protocol until there are no new cases during a 14-day period.

The residents and staff members whose positive outcomes were reported on Monday are recovering.

Our current monitoring and mitigation program

Residents, who think they may have symptoms, should ask the receptionist to arrange for them to be tested; employees should ask their supervisor before they begin work.

By working together we can mitigate the spread of the virus. So please be considerate of others by postponing visits if you are not feeling well or if you have been in contact with someone with or exposed to COVID-19.

If within three days of your visit here, you discover you have contracted COVID-19, contact me at 773-253-3627 so we can test any residents you visited.

Daily life continues for all residents and employees. So it is even more important that all of us adhere to common sense practices that help contain the spread of viruses.

- Frequently wash your hands
- Always wear a mask in our common areas and elsewhere in crowds
- When possible, observe social distancing

We appreciate your cooperation. Please call me with your questions or suggestions.