

December 3, 2020

Dear Residents and Families,

The CDC warned that we would see an increase of COVID-19 cases 7-10 days after Thanksgiving. Unfortunately, we see an uptick in our communities as the surrounding counties continue to spike with COVID cases.

Our Affordable Living communities are being hit hard. With a heavy heart, I must share that a resident at Madison Villa hospitalized for COVID-19 has passed away. We lift the resident's family and friends in prayer. In addition, we have one resident at St. Paul Village and two residents at Canterbury Court who have tested positive for COVID-19. Unfortunately, the three residents have been hospitalized. The residents have serious symptoms that only could be cared for at a hospital.

We have five staff (two Clingman direct care staff, one Observation Unit staff, and two non-direct care staff members) at Episcopal Church Home that have tested positive for COVID-19 as well. The staff member is quarantining at home, and the household remains under quarantine. Additionally, we have one Clingman resident that has tested positive for COVID-19.

We received test results for one non-direct care staff member at Deupree House who had tested positive for COVID-19. The staff member is quarantining at home with mild symptoms.

We also have one occurrence of symptoms to report at Marjorie Lee. As a reminder, an occurrence is defined as three or more residents or staff with new-onset COVID-19 respiratory symptoms in 72 hours.

Many residents and families have asked about the news story about the CDC guidelines on quarantining. As you may have heard, the CDC is in the process of updating its guidelines related to the number of days one should quarantine after exposure. Because we have to receive guidance from the state regulatory agencies, we are awaiting their decision. As soon as we receive any changes, we will adjust our policy and share with our residents and families.

The following is the cumulative reporting for our communities:

COVID-19 Reporting	Episcopal Church Home	Deupree House & Cottages	Marjorie Lee
Residents			
Current residents with confirmed COVID-19	1	0	0

Cumulative residents with confirmed COVID-19	10	0	13
Staff*			
Current staff with confirmed COVID-19	5	1	0
Cumulative staff with confirmed COVID-19	24	7	41
3 or more residents or staff with new-onset COVID-19 respiratory symptoms in a 72-hour period.			
Current occurrences	0	0	1
Cumulative occurrences	5	3	18

*Private duty and contracted staff are reported to our residents and families, however, are not included in the cumulative chart above based on reporting guidelines by the city and state.

As shared in previous letters, we continue to follow all CDC guidelines and mitigation practices to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Please let me know if you have any suggestions or questions.

Sincerely,



Laura Lamb
President and CEO