

Friends House Retirement Community Inc.



July 22, 2020

Dear Residents & Family Members,

We have begun the mandatory weekly testing of staff for Covid-19. Our results for the first week were very encouraging. There are no new staff cases to report, as staff tested negative. We have also now tested staff again this week, but do not have the staff results back.

We also have some results back from residents, with one new positive case who is now quarantined in our covid wing. To confirm the positive, another test will be conducted on this resident tomorrow. The family is being notified. Though there are no indications of more positives, we will also test more residents to be sure this is confined to just one.

This past week we also had our Infection Control survey related to the COVID-19 Pandemic. This survey was conducted by two members of the Montgomery County Health Department. The team found no deficient practices during. This is good news. However, we will not sit on our laurels; we are always reviewing and analyzing better ways to improve our processes. This virus is ever changing and we will maintain the latest procedures in order to combat it.

Please call the front desk of Stabler Hall during regular business hours to schedule a window visit or a Skype/FaceTime call. The number is 301-924-7531.

Our visiting hours are 7 days a week, from 9 am to 6 pm. We ask that you limit your visits to 30 minutes per day.

Our latest results since the beginning of covid-19 are:

	#Positives	#Deaths	#Returned to Work	#Became Negative	#Still Positive
Healthcare Residents	19	5	N/A (not applicable)	13	1
Staff	15	0	15	N/A (not applicable)	0

We will update the COVID-19 section of our website as new information is available.

We appreciate your continued support and understanding. We continue to work with The Maryland Department of Health, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and local health departments in monitoring the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus.

Some have asked how they can help. If you feel so inclined and would like to contribute to helping our team during this time of the coronavirus, please contact Anne Derby at 301-924-7510 or aderby@friendshouse.com, or go to this link: <http://weblink.donorperfect.com/Giv3>.

Please remember the virus has not gone away, so remain vigilant and stay healthy.

Stay Safe,

Friends House Management