



SAINT MARY'S AT ASBURY RIDGE
SAINT MARY'S EAST

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Saint Mary's & COVID-19: Update #50

Hello!

The Erie County positivity rate has dropped to 6.1%. Having remained below the 10% mark for two weeks, this means that Saint Mary's East and Saint Mary's at Asbury Ridge will begin to see some lessening of restrictions in two main areas, testing and visitation.

Testing: Both Saint Mary's East and Saint Mary's at Asbury Ridge continue to report zero (0) new cases of COVID-19. Testing will now be conducted once per week for employees. Only those residents who have exposure to someone outside the facility, such as an appointment or a visit, will be tested.

Visitation: As you have all been hoping and waiting for, the lower positivity rate means that visitation is possible if the campus is in step three.

Saint Mary's East is in step three and is scheduled to begin visitation on March 11th. The East team has already started to coordinate visits. If you would like to schedule a visit, please call (814) 451-1302.

Saint Mary's at Asbury Ridge is in step two and is expected to enter step three on March 8th. Visitation is scheduled to begin on March 10th. The Asbury Ridge team will begin scheduling appointments at the start of next week. If you would like to schedule a visit at that time, please call (814) 836-5440.

Our team will be available on weekdays during office hours to help schedule your visit. Please remember this is still a constantly changing situation and as always, we appreciate your patience! A reminder about the details for visitation. All visits must be scheduled in advance. Visits will be twenty minutes in length and limited to two visitors per resident. We will schedule visits every thirty minutes between 9:00 – 11:30 am, 1:00 – 4:00 pm, and 6:00 – 7:30 pm. To reduce the risk of cross-contamination, each care area will have assigned visitation days. We are required to hold visits in neutral areas and limit travel through the building, therefore visits will once again take place in our lobbies. Amplifiers will be available and we have reminded our staff to be courteous by limiting conversations when visits are taking place.

All visitors must complete a screening questionnaire and have their temperature recorded upon arrival. Visitors are required to follow universal masking guidelines and must observe social distancing. Items cannot be shared, passed or delivered during the visit. Earlier this week, the Pennsylvania state travel restriction was lifted and is no longer in effect. This means that there are no requirements or restrictions for out-of-state visitors. Travelers should continue to use good judgement, limit your exposure and follow appropriate public health measures to the best of your ability before visiting with a resident.

We have updated our website to reflect this information. Thank you for your cooperation – your adherence to and participation in the precautionary measures is important for the safety of you and your loved ones. We look forward to seeing you!