



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

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Saint Mary's: COVID-19 Update #8

Good Afternoon!

We are nearing the end of another week in which we are reporting **no** positive cases of COVID-19 among staff or residents at either facility.

Testing: Earlier this week a resident at Asbury Ridge was transferred as a precaution to our COVID-19 unit and was tested for the virus. The resident's test results came back negative on May 5th. Additionally, a staff member at Saint Mary's East who developed respiratory symptoms also tested negative for the virus on May 5th. To date at Saint Mary's East, three (3) residents and one (1) staff member have been tested. At Saint Mary's at Asbury Ridge, one (1) resident and zero (0) staff members have been tested. All test results have been negative. We are relatively pleased with the turnaround time for test results, which is currently around 24-36 hours.

No Visitation or Window Visits: With Mother's Day approaching we want to remind families and friends that visitor restrictions are still in effect. This includes window visits and drive-by visits which will not be permitted. In addition to security risks, we have concerns regarding emergency vehicle access and disruptions of privacy due to the volume of visitors that would be on our grounds. Additionally, please remember to send items and gifts through the mail as we will not accept drop off items. We know other facilities may have different policies in place but we believe our policies reflect the high standards we are committed to upholding. Skype and FaceTime appointments continue to be available to help families connect with loved ones. Let us know how we can help!

Outdoor Courtyards: As the weather warms residents may use designated outdoor areas, such as our internal courtyards and patios, to get some fresh air and enjoy the sunshine. Residents will be required to wear masks and maintain social distancing as appropriate. As we are still under a no visitation policy we cannot allow visits with loved ones to take place outside at this time and residents will not be brought to the front entrances.

Please remember that our actions and policies are in place to protect those who live and work here. As always, thank you for your support and understanding! Take care.