



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

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Saint Mary's & COVID-19: Update #17

Good Afternoon,

We have made it through another week. Saint Mary's East is currently reporting one active case of COVID-19 among an employee. Saint Mary's at Asbury Ridge is reporting zero cases.

Saint Mary's East concluded our third wave of testing yesterday. This afternoon we received notice that an employee tested positive during this wave of testing. We have not received all of the test results back yet and will keep you informed. This means we must continue testing all residents and employees weekly for at least 14 additional days. Prior to this, all of the results from the second wave of testing conducted last week were negative. The two residents who previously tested positive at Saint Mary's East have recovered and have returned to their rooms.

Saint Mary's at Asbury Ridge will begin initial testing next week. We have secured a partnership with Omnicare, a CVS company. Omnicare will provide the testing materials and conduct testing for Skilled Nursing residents and staff on Monday, July 13th and Tuesday, July 14th. Those in Residential Living/Personal Care will be tested by Saint Mary's staff members on Friday, July 17th.

We know you have been waiting patiently about more details on window visits – we hope to offer you a plan soon. Coordinating testing and creating a strategy for moving forward has required a lot of our time and energy, and as mentioned previously, window visits involve a number of considerations. We know how much you miss your loved ones and vice versa. We will get there!

Be aware the PA Department of Health released travel recommendations for 15 states reporting high COVID-19 cases. If you live in PA and are traveling to or returning from any of the states listed [here](#) you will need to quarantine for 14 days upon return. We remind you of this because the better we do as a community and nation to reduce the spread, the sooner we will get through this!

As always, let us know if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you!

P.S. – Only a few days left for [Erie's Choice](#) nominations! Again, if you think Saint Mary's Home of Erie has been doing a good job, please consider nominating us in the "Health" and "Retirement/Senior Living" category. We appreciate it!