



## WEEKLY UPDATE

**December 29, 2021**

Dear Residents and Families/Representatives:

Please accept this letter as Northampton Manor's weekly update to keep you informed about the status of COVID in our facility and what we are doing to keep our residents and staff safe during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.

Since our last update we have had 4 residents (total of 9) and 10 staff members (total of 12) test positive for COVID-19 using a rapid test. PCR test results confirmed all the positive POC tests plus an additional staff member who had positive PCR and negative POC. There is 1 resident result pending at this time. We continue in outbreak status with the Frederick County Health Department. We will continue to test all staff and residents two times per week.

We continue to have the doors to the main entrance open between 9 am and 4:30 pm every day. All visitors are screened when they come in. If you would like to leave after 4:30pm, please have a staff member assist you to exit the building. If entering the back door, you must still be screened.

Per CMS and CDC recommendations all new admissions are tested upon admission and any symptomatic staff/residents are tested when symptoms start.

As of this time 96% of our staff and 94% of our residents are fully vaccinated with 53 residents and 52 staff receiving the booster.

We also continue to implement and practice enhanced safety precautions recommended by our federal, state and local health officials, performing regular screenings for signs and symptoms of illness prior to entering the building, continually monitoring residents, performing regular deep cleanings, using PPE as recommended by the CDC, implementing isolation protocols as required and reminding and encouraging staff to practice social distancing, use hand sanitizer and frequently wash their hands when they are in the facility and out in the community. We ask them not to report to work if they have symptoms of illness.

Please continue to check our website for updates. As always, we will notify you if we receive confirmation of a new positive case in our facility and we will reach out to you individually if your loved one is displaying symptoms of COVID-19 or tests positive for COVID-19.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact us directly at 301-662-8700.

Sincerely,

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