



## WEEKLY UPDATE

**July 9th, 2020**

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.

On July 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> we completed our 2<sup>nd</sup> round of facility wide staff testing. We received the results of these tests on July 6th, and as a result we have identified an additional 5 staff members positive for COVID-19. The staff members are currently self-quarantining at home. As a result of discovering new positive cases within our facility, per direction and guidance set forth by the Maryland Department of Health, we are now completing testing of all residents, as well as all staff, on a weekly basis.

As of today, July 9<sup>th</sup>, our cumulative totals for positive COVID-19 cases are 76 residents and 30 staff members having tested positive for COVID-19.

We are committed to seeing the number of positive cases in our facility go down and we will continue to implement and practice enhanced safety precautions recommended by our federal, state and local health officials, such as, only allowing essential personnel inside the facility, 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, providing individual activities as opposed to group activities, implementing isolation protocols as required, and reminding and encouraging staff to practice social distancing and to 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,

*Mark Heim*

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Administrator