

October 16, 2020

Dear Residents and Families,

Once again this week we have had resident testing and staff testing twice.

Tuesday's results are all in except for 3 residents and 16 staff. (The timing of when the tests are received and run by the lab itself is what causes this delay. We are one of many facilities and thousands of tests that are being run by our designated lab.) **All are negative.**

Today's testing – staff only (Point of Care with results in 15 minutes) have determined 4 suspect cases (at the time of this writing) which require a second test being sent to the lab. These staff are then put on quarantine and not able to be at Samaritan until testing is confirmed one way or the other. **All other tests were negative.**

Our one positive resident from last week is doing very well and continues to be asymptomatic. We continue to have an adequate supply of personal protective equipment (PPE) to ensure the safety of everyone in our facility.

Testing will continue twice a week again next week. We remain subject to the VERY HIGH numbers (and growing) within the county. Please help be a part of being a healthy County and State – wear a mask, avoid crowds and gatherings, wash your hands! We cannot move forward with some of our reopening until the Washington County positivity rate goes down as a whole. So please do your part!

Window visits have started. They are going pretty well although we know that the communication through a phone or FaceTime has its challenges. Here is the set up:

Visits are held on ground floor – **inside the patio gates for the family members** and **inside the building for the residents**. There is the large glass window separating the residents from visitors. This is to prevent potential exposure. Families are asked to please bring their cell phone. Families will be given a phone number to call and staff will assist the residents on the inside of the building.

RCAC **residents and families will use the RCAC entrance doors** – again with the glass separation.

Visits will be Monday-Friday 10:30 and 3:30.

We will be having the two visits at each time slot on ground floor and one visit at each time slot for RCAC residents in the RCAC. These visits will be a ½ hour long.

**Please schedule your Window Visit through reception at 262-335-4500.**

- Please use the Fields RCAC driveway (east of the main Samaritan Campus Entrance.)
  - RCAC families can use the RCAC parking spots right by the entrance
  - Nursing Home visitors are encouraged to park up by the east entrance of the back patio
- Family visits will be limited to two visitors per visit
- Family members for the nursing home and RCAC are asked to bring their personal cell phone to make the voice connection – while still seeing the residents.
- Please dress accordingly. Families will be under cover – but still outside.
- Masks must be worn.

Each week this communication builds on previous communications, as well as it tries to capture the fluid changes of the week. Please feel free to read the earlier communications on our website at:

[www.samaritancampus.com](http://www.samaritancampus.com).

We also provide weekly updates on our Campus Communication Hotline **262-335-4599**.

Again, thank you for all of your support through these trying times. The community health helps guide this. We are ALL anxious for in person visits. Please help by social distancing and masking up.

Thank you,

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