

Hello Friends! This is your Trinity COVID-19 Update for December 29, 2021.

Trinity Healthcare has remained free of COVID-19 for the past three and half months. Unfortunately, today we were notified that two employees from Trinity Healthcare have been diagnosed with COVID-19. The employees are quarantined at home and are receiving appropriate care. We continue to follow the CDC's criteria for return to work for all employees.

We closely adhere to the routine testing policy for elders and employees as laid out by CMS and the MSDH. Today we completed this testing for all elders and employees and have no additional cases to report. All elders and other employees have tested negative for the virus.

Our current COVID-19 cases include 2 employees from Trinity Healthcare and 1 employee from Trinity Assisted Living. As for right now, everyone is either asymptomatic or only exhibiting mild symptoms. The Apartments at Trinity Place remain clear of COVID-19.

We have notified public health officials and are following all recommendations provided by CMS and the Mississippi State Department of Health. Please note that the MSDH defines an outbreak in long-term care facilities as a single positive case among elders or employees.

As per recent MSDH guidance, COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations are rising rapidly in the state as the Omicron variant spreads. Masks should be worn indoors in public places to reduce the risk of transmission. As always, be tested if you feel sick, talk to a doctor about appropriate treatment and remain at home if you test positive.

Group gatherings and indoor activities can be major contributors of COVID-19 transmission. Please keep these gatherings few and small.

Vaccination remains the most effective way to prevent severe illness, hospitalization and death from COVID-19. Everyone aged 5 and older should be fully vaccinated, and those 18 and over should receive a booster at the appropriate time.

While we are currently open to indoor visits, it is critical that everyone take every measure possible to protect the elders and our team members. Please be mindful of the level of virus spread within your community and utilize all stated safety measure before visiting us at Trinity.

As a reminder, family and staff members can continue to obtain regular COVID-19 updates by calling the hotline at 662-844-8977, Extension 210 or by going to mss.org/Trinity and clicking on the COVID-19 Update Button. We hope this helps keep you well informed. As always, you can reach out to our team at Trinity at 662-327-6716 for any questions you may have.

Bless you and be safe!