

Hello Friends! This is your Aldersgate COVID-19 Update for August 14, 2021.

We have an employee of Aldersgate Assisted Living and an employee of the Apartments at Aldersgate who have been diagnosed with COVID-19. The employees are quarantined and receiving appropriate care. We will continue testing elders and employees at Assisted Living every 3-7 days until 14 days pass with no positive cases. At Assisted Living communal dining, group activities, and indoor visits are currently being postponed. While we do not encourage visits during this period of time, if necessary you may visit outdoors.

We continue to follow all guidance set forth by state and federal officials for privacy, elder care, employee safety, and efforts to stop the spread of COVID-19. We continue following all regulatory guidance from MSDH.

In the Apartments (Independent Living), dining, activities and visits remain open as they have been. Three cases within a 14 day period is considered an outbreak in the Apartments.

In Mississippi, the number of cases is rapidly increasing. The most recent updates from the CDC are very encouraging for those who have been vaccinated. The vaccine is available at many locations locally. If you have not had the vaccine, please consider it. Lauderdale County currently has a positivity rate of 28.4% which is among the highest in the state. It is recommended for all to wear a mask regardless of vaccination status in areas of heightened transmission. Please be safe and help keep us safe; wear a mask.

In order to help provide our family and staff members with regular updates, we have created two ways to access campus COVID-19 updates. You can access campus specific updates by going to mss.org/Aldersgate and clicking on the COVID-19 Update Button. In addition, you can call, 662-844-8977 Extension 212, and updates will be recorded there for you to listen to. We hope this helps keep you well informed. As always, you can reach out to our administrative office at Aldersgate with any questions.

Bless you and be safe!