

Hello Friends! This is your Dugan COVID-19 Update for November 6, 2020.

We were notified today that a case of COVID-19 has been diagnosed in an employee from Dugan. The employee is quarantined at home and is receiving appropriate care. We continue to follow the CDC's criteria for return to work with all employees.

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 more than one case among employees over a 14-day period.

We will continue to offer outdoor visits, as weather permits, during this time while we wait for infection clearance. Visits will need to be scheduled and all protocols for safety as previously outlined must be followed.

**Our ability to continue offering visits of any sort depends on everyone staying virus free.**

Mississippi's numbers are currently very high, so we want to remind everyone to take every measure possible to slow the spread of this virus. Please continue to practice social distancing, wear a mask, perform good hand sanitation, keep the size of your group gatherings small and whenever possible, avoid being out in the general public. So long as the positivity rate is high in our county and state, it is very difficult to keep the virus away from the elders and our employees. We need everyone to do their part to ensure everyone stays virus-free. As we head into the holiday season, please remember that the greatest gift you can offer the elders is time with their families and that can only happen if the positivity rate decreases.

As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Dugan office at (662) 494-3640.

Bless you and be safe!