

Hello Friends! This is your Riggs Manor COVID-19 Update for September 17, 2021.

We have had an employee test positive for the COVID-19 virus at Riggs Manor. The employee is quarantined at home and receiving appropriate care. The employee has not worked in a few days so we are hopeful that this will be an isolated case. We continue to follow CDC guidance governing when employees may return to work. All elders and employees will be tested on a 3-7 day interval until 14 days pass with no positive cases.

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.

At this time all in-person dining and group activities have been postponed until the next round of testing is done and all are negative.

Mississippi's numbers continue to be very high. The most recent news from the CDC shows that those who are fully vaccinated are in a good position overall. There are many locations offering the vaccine; it is available to all over the age of 12. If you have not yet received it, please consider doing so at this time. Also, the CDC recommends wearing a mask regardless of your vaccination status in areas of heightened transmission. Hinds County currently has a positivity rate of 13.3% making it an area of heightened transmission.

As a reminder, we are posting regular updates online and our dedicated message line. You can call 662-844-8977 Ext. 226 for a pre-recorded message or go to mss.org/RiggsManor and click on the COVID-19 Update Button. As always, you can reach out to our team at Riggs Manor for any questions you may have.

Bless you and be safe!