

Hello Friends! This is your Riggs Manor COVID-19 Update for December 25, 2021

We have been notified that an elder in Riggs Manor Assisted Living has been diagnosed with COVID-19. The elder is quarantine and is receiving appropriate care. In addition, two employees from Riggs Manor have also 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.

As of yesterday, all elders in the Green House Home tested negative for the virus. We tested the rest of the elders in Assisted Living this morning and all other elders tested negative for the virus as well. We closely adhere to the routine testing policy for elders and employees as laid out by CMS and the MSDH.

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.

While we are currently open to indoor visits across the campus, it is critical that everyone take all precautions to eliminate the risk of spreading any type of virus to the elders and our team members. The safest protection against COVID-19 is to be fully vaccinated. If you have not taken the vaccine, please consider it at this time. In addition, it is recommended that all wear a mask regardless of their vaccination status. This is especially important as our State's COVID-19 cases are beginning to rise and new variants are emerging. As we gather in celebration of Christmas this week, let us all take every measure possible to protect those we love.

As a reminder, family and staff members can continue to obtain regular COVID-19 updates by calling the hotline at 662-844-8977, Extension 226 or by going to mss.org/Riggs and clicking on the COVID-19 Update Button. We hope this helps keep you well informed. As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Riggs Manor office at (601) 857-5011.

Merry Christmas, bless you and be safe!