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Hello Friends! This is your Seashore Highlands COVID-19 Update for August 23, 2021.

We have one employee from The Beach House at Seashore Highlands who has tested positive for COVID-19. The employee is quarantined and receiving appropriate care. All elders and other employees of The Beach House have been tested and are negative. At this time, we must move to only hosting outdoor visits only. In The Beach House, we will postpone group activities and communal dining until we have a round of testing where everyone is negative. We will continue to test every 3-7 days until 14 days pass with no positive cases.

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 to follow CDC criteria for employees returning to work.

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.

Mississippi is currently seeing an increase in the numbers of cases diagnosed each day. The latest CDC news suggests that vaccinations offer a great deal of protection; if you have not vaccinated, please consider it at this time. Harrison County has a positivity rating of 22.4 % which is among the highest in the state. The most recent recommendations are that all wear mask in areas of heightened transmission. Please be safe and help keep us safe by wearing 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/Seashore](http://mss.org/Seashore) and clicking on the COVID-19 Update Button. In addition, you can call this number, 662-844-8977 Ext. 219, 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 Seashore Highlands for any questions you may have.

Bless you and be safe!