

December 4, 2020

Dear Elders, Families and Friends of MSS,

We have been notified that three elders from Traceway Manor have been diagnosed with COVID-19. The elders are quarantined and are receiving appropriate care. We have notified public health officials and are following all recommendations provided by the CDC and the Mississippi State Department of Health.

We have contacted all elders and employees who may have been exposed to make them aware of the situation. Please know that we have followed, and will continue to do so, all guidance set forth by state and federal officials for privacy, elder care, employee safety, and efforts to stop the spread of COVID-19.

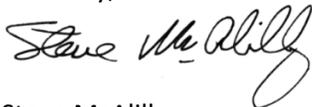
The Manor elders have been enjoying family visits, limited activity and limited in-person dining. We regret that we will have to temporarily return to quarantine and ask the elders to remain in their apartments for a short time to ensure the virus is not spread within the Manor. This quarantine period will be for 10 days. If we do not have any other incidence of infection, we will return to our new normal the week of December 14, 2020.

What does this mean? All in-person dining will cease, and we will begin delivering meals to each room effective immediately. In addition, our team will also make mail delivery for each elder as well. All internal group gatherings and activities will be put on hold until we are out of this quarantine period. In addition, we are restricting family visitation at this time. Should we remain infection free, we will restore visiting as soon as possible.

Mississippi is currently seeing very large numbers of infections diagnosed each day and we must remain vigilant in order to prevent further infection at Traceway. We cannot succeed in opening up in a cautious way without your help. If you come and go out into the community, you not only put yourself at risk, but you put everyone who lives and works on our campus at risk. If you live in the community and visit our campus you put everyone who lives and works on our campus at risk. For these reasons, we ask that all elders continue to shelter in place as much as possible. Please continue to practice social distancing, wear a mask, perform good hand sanitation, refrain from group gatherings of any size and whenever possible, avoid being out in the general public. Please do your part to make it a safe and happy holiday season.

As a reminder, we are posting regular updates online and our dedicated message line. You can call 662-844-8977 Ext. 224 for a pre-recorded message or go to mss.org/Traceway and click on the COVID-19 Update Button. As always, you can reach out to our administrative office at Traceway for any questions you may have.

Sincerely,



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President/CEO



Kasie Wood
Traceway Executive Director

For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but one of power, love, and sound judgement. ~ 2 Timothy 1:7