

November 12, 2020

Dear Elders, Families and Friends of MSS,

We have been notified that an elder from Trinity Place Independent Living has tested positive for COVID-19. The elder was hospitalized for unrelated issues when the diagnosis was made. The elder remains hospitalized and is receiving appropriate care. We have notified public health officials and are following all recommendations provided by CMS and the Mississippi State Department of Health.

As of today, we have one elder who currently has the virus (1 in Independent Living) and 3 positive employees (2 in Healthcare, 1 in Independent Living). 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 closely adhere to the routine testing policy for elders and employees as laid out by CMS and the MSDH.

Mississippi's numbers are extremely 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. We must remain vigilant in order to prevent further infection among the elders and employees.

As a reminder, we are posting regular updates online and to our dedicated message line. You can call 662-844-8977 Ext. 210 for a pre-recorded message or go to [mss.org/Trinity](http://mss.org/Trinity) and click on the COVID-19 Update Button. We will post daily updates in these two locations around 5 pm each day through this current outbreak. Once we have the results from our Healthcare Group Testing, we will send out another overview and update our family on our COVID-19 situation.

Sincerely,



Steve McAlilly, President/CEO of MSS



Craig Hill, Trinity Executive Director