



December 15, 2020

Dear Samaritan Summit Village Skilled Nursing Families,

On Tuesday, December 15, Samaritan Health received notice one resident at Samaritan Summit Village (SSV) Skilled Nursing facility tested positive for COVID-19. This is the second COVID-19 positive resident case at Samaritan Summit Village Skilled Nursing facility.

The resident is currently asymptomatic and was tested as a screening measure. This resident was already on precautionary measures and was in isolation. Staff were using extra safety measures and full PPE when interacting with the resident.

A special COVID unit has now been setup and the resident has been moved to this area, which is off the floor and away from all other residents. This COVID unit is part of our COVID-19 Emergency Response Plan.

As a precaution, all other residents on the same floor as this resident will be rapid tested. We will continue to closely monitor all residents with vital signs and temperature checks every eight hours. All SSV Skilled Nursing residents will be tested multiple times over the next two weeks because of this positive case. Any staff that may be impacted will be contacted and weekly staff testing will continue.

This COVID-19 positive case continues to suspend limited indoor visitation. We must stay COVID free for 14 days for it to resume.

We will keep you informed of any updates regarding positive COVID-19 test results. You will continue to receive a text message or phone call and will be directed to our web page for all updates: www.samaritanhealth.com/covid-ltc. This web page also contains our COVID Pandemic Emergency Plan for you to review.

If there are ever any health concerns for your family member, Samaritan staff will call you personally. We are here to answer any questions or concerns you may have. Please call me, Barbara Morrow, Vice President of Long Term Care, at 315-782-7002, or Mike Smith, Assistant Director of Nursing/ Infection Control Practitioner, at 315-782-6800. Thank you for your continued patience during this difficult time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barbara Morrow".

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