

News Release

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Aberdeen Village residents all clear, employees test positive for COVID-19 in latest round of testing

OLATHE, Kan. – Aberdeen Village has released an update on testing for COVID-19 at the community.

All residents tested negative in our most recent round of ongoing testing, which took place this past week. We do have two employees who tested positive.

An essential health care worker and a non-direct care employee have tested positive for the virus via rapid point-of-care (POC) testing. The essential health care worker last worked on November 24. The non-direct care employee last worked on November 20. The individuals screened in before their shifts, wearing personal protective equipment (PPE) while working.

We have notified the Johnson County Health Department and will follow their guidance. We will continue with mass testing next week on Monday, November 30, and Tuesday, December 1. Our testing frequency is determined by the county positivity rate. At this time, we are testing employees twice a week.

We follow CDC and KDHE guidelines in determining when an employee may return to work. Under the current guidelines, the employee may return to work when at least 72 hours have passed since resolution of the employee's fever without the use of fever-reducing medications and the employee's symptoms have improved and at least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared. If asymptomatic, the employee must quarantine for 14 days before returning to work. Upon the employee's return to work, we will follow CDC recommendations related to work practices and restrictions.

All employees are encouraged to follow CDC guidelines and best practices as these are continually updated. We have been screening individuals as they enter the community building for a shift and before individuals have any direct contact with residents. We educate all staff to stay at home if they are experiencing symptoms of a respiratory illness or not feeling well.

For more information about Aberdeen Village's response, go to PMMA's (Presbyterian Manors of Mid-America's) website, Presbyterianmanors.org/Media-room.

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