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## **Aberdeen Village loses resident; Resident tests positive for COVID-19**

OLATHE, Kan. – A health care resident at Aberdeen Village who previously tested positive for COVID-19 has passed away.

“The entire Aberdeen Village family is in mourning at this time,” said Tim Allin, executive director.

While we strive for transparency in what we do, please know that we are bound by federal guidelines under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), which protects the privacy rights of our residents even into death. Our medical director follows all established federal laws in notifying families of any change in the medical condition of their loved ones.

At this time, Aberdeen Village continues its focus on ensuring the well-being of our residents and employees. We will continue to monitor residents for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 on each shift, and care for those residents who are positive in the COVID-19 isolation area.

Additionally, we have an update to share regarding testing.

One of our health care residents has tested positive for the virus as part of our ongoing surveillance testing.

The resident’s family has been notified. We will continue to monitor all residents closely and will notify a resident’s durable power of attorney for health care immediately if a resident tests positive or there are changes to a resident’s health status.

We have notified the Johnson County Health Department and will continue our mass testing next week.

The COVID positive resident will recover in isolation and be cared for by designated staff. We will follow CDC and KDHE guidelines for when the resident may come out of isolation. Under the current guidelines, symptomatic residents may leave isolation when at least 72 hours have passed since resolution of the resident’s fever without the use of fever-reducing medications and the resident’s symptoms have improved and at least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared.

Asymptomatic positive residents will quarantine for at least 10 days. Designated staff members are following doctor’s orders for treatment protocols and following CDC infection prevention protocols.

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](https://www.presbyterianmanors.org/Media-room).

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