



COVID Update  
October 9, 2020

Dear Residents, Tenants and Families,

Below is an update on the COVID-19 test results from the swab samples that were taken on October 5 and 6 at both St. John's locations.

The Woodlands located at the Fountain Lake site had two patients and one provider that tested positive for the COVID-19 virus.

At the Meadows on Fountain Lake, all staff and tenants tested negative for the COVID-19 virus.

Waters Edge tenants were not tested.

At the Highway 13 Nursing Home, staff testing was optional. All staff that were tested were negative for the COVID-19 virus. All residents that were tested were negative as well.

Knutson Place tenants were not tested, but staff were tested. One employee tested positive for the COVID-19 virus.

Today, we decided to retest 10 residents at the Highway 13 nursing home. We decided to retest these residents because a few people living in the same wing of the building had symptoms of the COVID-19 virus. We should have these test results early next week. Family members who have a loved one at the Highway 13 Nursing Home were mailed a letter this morning stating that it was OK to resume Essential Caregiver visits. We were notified after this letter was mailed that an employee from Knutson Place tested positive, so please disregard this letter.

This virus is highly contagious. At this time, both the Highway 13 location and the Fountain Lake location have COVID-19 positive people. Because of this, we will need to continue with restrictions on visiting. I was hoping that we could reopen two of our buildings to visitors next Monday, but at this time, it's way too risky to open the doors. It's risky for the people that live or work at St. John's, and it's risky to visitors as well. We do not take restricting families lightly. We know how important it is for residents and tenants to connect with family members, so we will reopen our doors to Essential Caregivers as soon as it's safe to do so.

We are in our eighth month of dealing with the COVID-19 virus. It's probably impossible to completely avoid this virus, but when it does pop up, we want to do everything possible to keep it from spreading throughout our buildings and infecting residents, tenants, and staff. Our main goal right now is to keep this virus from spreading any further. We will know more next week when we begin our third round of staff and resident testing.

Sincerely,

Scot Spates