



PUBLIC NOTICE

As of 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 8, 2020, Baptist Retirement Community was notified one Skilled Nursing resident tested as asymptomatic positive for COVID-19. Isolation procedures have been in effect since June 30, when the resident was admitted from a local hospital.

This public notice serves as an official statement from Buckner Retirement Services Inc., in compliance with protocols laid out by Buckner to mitigate risks to residents and staff and in compliance with current orders issued by local government. A copy of this notice was sent to the local county health and human services department.

Our Isolation Procedures for asymptomatic or symptomatic diagnosed cases, along with those which are presumptive, are in accordance with the CDC. These procedures are implemented specific to each case and continue until Discontinuation of Transmission-Based Precautions are met per the CDC.

A person who is asymptomatic positive for COVID-19 is not displaying symptoms of the virus but can still transmit the virus and pose a direct threat to the health of others.

Each of our care levels has specific protocols in place to assist with our Isolation Procedures based on our community's floorplan. In the event a positive resident is admitted to a hospital and then returns to the community, they will be quarantined in their private apartment.

Specific to our associates, Buckner has adopted the CDC's guidelines for "return to work criteria for healthcare personnel with suspected or confirmed COVID-19." Associates will not be allowed to return to work until such criteria is met.

Contact tracing is helping identify those who came into contact with the positive individual(s), so they can follow CDC guidelines.

In addition to this public notice, all available information is being disseminated directly to residents and their authorized emergency contacts, as well as staff and local health officials. If you have questions, please call Baptist Retirement Community at 855-754-3338. **More information about our coronavirus response is also available at [BucknerRetirement.org](https://www.bucknerretirement.org).**