

PUBLIC NOTICE

As of 7:45 pm on Tuesday, July 14, 2020, Buckner Villas was notified one resident in Skilled Nursing tested positive for COVID-19. The resident is asymptomatic and was discovered due to contact tracing. Isolation procedures are in effect.

The following are additional active positive cases: one resident in Skilled Nursing tested asymptomatic positive on July 14; one resident in Skilled Nursing tested symptomatic positive on July 14; two associates tested symptomatic positive on July 7. Isolation procedures were followed in all cases.

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. Posting of this notice occurred within 30 minutes after receipt of the community's first positive test results, and a copy of this notice was sent to the local county health and human services department.

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.

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

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 returns to the community from a hospital, 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 resident, 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 Buckner Villas at 855-754-3338. **More information about our coronavirus response is also available at [BucknerRetirement.org](https://www.bucknerretirement.org).**