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Health Update from Asbury Methodist Village

Asbury Methodist Village has learned that additional individual(s) have been diagnosed with COVID-19 on our campus, bringing the number to eight. Four are residents and four are associates. We have been working closely with government health officials to manage this situation. We are doing all we can to support these residents, their family members and our entire community during this time while continuing to minimize additional exposure.

Asbury Communities has a strong infection control algorithm in place that was developed to respond to a situation such as this, and we have been adapting these practices as new information about COVID-19 becomes available. Our COVID-19 efforts are being led by the Asbury Communities Clinical Team, comprised of highly experienced clinicians with hospital backgrounds, in coordination with our own campus leadership team. We are following our infection control procedures and guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC), the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), and local public health officials.

Since COVID-19 arose in the United States, we have been educating staff and residents on CDC guidelines for minimizing risk and encouraging residents to remain in their homes. We instituted a campus-wide no-visitation policy, suspended all group events on campus and community dining, implemented rigorous staff screening including temperature checks and, in keeping with our policy, only staff, residents, and essential visitors may enter.

We have also broadened services that make it easier for residents to remain at home, including deliveries of meals, groceries, and other supplies. We continue to urge them to follow Maryland's stay-at-home order. Our staff is working tirelessly to support residents through this time and to keep them as safe as possible.

Our staff continues to work tirelessly to support residents through this time and follow our infection control procedures. We are grateful for their efforts.

You can see more about our COVID-19 processes and communications here:

<https://www.asbury.org/news/asbury-covid-19-planning-update/>