



## **COVID NOTIFICATION/UPDATE**

June 29, 2020

To Our Valued Residents, Families and Representatives:

We recently received confirmation that a staff member tested positive for COVID-19. While we were disappointed to learn this after we have worked so hard to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our facility, we know that we are dealing with an extremely contagious virus. Rather than be discouraged, we are going to focus and work hard to continue to take all necessary steps to protect our residents and staff.

We are committed to eliminating this virus from our facility and we will continue to implement and practice enhanced safety precautions recommended by our federal, state and local health officials, such as, performing regular screenings for signs and symptoms of illness prior to entering the building, continually monitoring residents, performing regular deep cleanings, using PPE as recommended by the CDC, providing individual activities as opposed to group activities, implementing isolation protocols as required, and reminding and encouraging staff to practice social distancing and to use hand sanitizer and frequently wash their hands when they are in the facility and out in the community.

Also, as a reminder, our visitation policy remains the same and only essential personnel are allowed in the facility. As you might be aware, there has been a noticeable increase in COVID-19 cases in a number of states, which is extremely concerning given the vulnerable population we serve. As such, and for the safety and well-being of our residents, please continue to reach out to your loved ones through phone, FaceTime, letters and e-mail and feel free to contact us directly if you need assistance facilitating communication with your loved ones. Thank you for your understanding.

We will continue to post updates on our facility website at [www.spanishtrailsrehabilitation.com](http://www.spanishtrailsrehabilitation.com) and we will individually notify representatives/families regarding a resident's condition if he/she tests positive for COVID-19 or is displaying symptoms of COVID-19. If you have any questions or concerns please contact us directly at 505-600-4800.

Sincerely,

*Mark McElwee*

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