

ACV Coronavirus Update April 7

The number of positive cases in Suwannee County continues to rise. As of this morning, 32 people have tested positive for COVID-19 in Suwannee County. Please continue to be vigilant and follow the recommendations previously given as we continue to work to limit the exposure of this community to the virus. If you have fever, cough, and/or shortness of breath, isolate yourself at home, and then call your healthcare provider and your Service Coordinator for further instructions.

All staff continue to be screened at the beginning of their shift and we are all having our temperature checked twice each day. Vendors and visitors to the campus are to be screened at the information center before proceeding to a residence or Village facility.

Beginning tomorrow, Wednesday April 8 at 5:00 pm, all doors leading into Dowling House, Carter House, Smith Riverview Apartments and Lawrence House will be locked and remain locked 24 hours per day. Visitors and vendors will be directed to the Information Center for screening and members will then be required to meet their guests at the door for them to gain access. Visitors will be allowed only between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm and the desk will be manned during these hours. Likewise, if you are accepting supplies from family, we ask that you do that outside the building and not have them enter the facility.

National projections state that this week and next are very critical and the situation will worsen. Officials are acknowledging that people need food and medicine but at the same time recommend avoiding grocery stores and pharmacies as much as possible. If you must go, don't go as frequently and try to use the grocer and pharmacy delivery as much as possible. The more a person is out, the more the potential there is to become infected.

We will continue to monitor the situation very closely and provide updates as the situation here warrants. As always, for information pertinent to your personal situation, please contact your Service Coordinator.