

Coronavirus Update, Friday, November 13

Through our regular testing program, we have learned of an employee at Good Samaritan Center who has tested positive for Covid-19. The individual is quarantined until cleared by health officials. We are not aware of any known cases among the residents but due to this exposure, we are testing all of the residents living on the wing where the employee served.

We know of no other cases or exposures to the virus among any other staff across the campus. Likewise, we know of no cases of the virus among the members at Dacier Manor.

Another member in independent living has tested positive for Covid-19. This individual along with their spouse is isolating in their individual dwelling until cleared by health officials.

One other individual who has tested positive remains hospitalized and another member remains in isolation because of a potential exposure. The above infections show that the virus remains prevalent in the communities around us, so please continue to follow the guidelines of maintaining appropriate distances, wearing a mask and following good hygiene practices.

Since our last report, there have been 36 new cases in Suwannee County for a total of 3,093 cases of COVID-19 since March.

With Thanksgiving and Christmas approaching, there are many questions regarding family visits. At Good Samaritan Center and Dacier Manor where they continue under guidelines, restrictions remain in place. Families are required to contact the offices to schedule their visits. In independent living, we are asking members to work with their Service Coordinators on their family visit plans

As the holiday season nears, we are working on plans to have a meaningful celebration while limiting risk. The special arrangement for members to purchase traditional Thanksgiving fare to enjoy in their home is listed in the current issue of the Friendly Neighbor News. A schedule of planned Christmas programs and services will be included in future FNN issues.

As always, for questions pertaining to your particular situation please contact your Service Coordinator.

The next scheduled update is planned for Friday, November 20.