

Coronavirus Update, November 20

At Good Samaritan Center, we continue to only know of the one previously reported staff member who has tested positive for Covid-19. All testing of the residents due to this employee's positive test came back negative.

At Dacier Manor, an employee has tested positive for Coronavirus, however, this employee has been out for other reasons since the end of August, so there has been no contact with the members. We know of no other cases within Dacier Manor.

We also had a staff member in independent living test positive this week. They have been asked to isolate and will not be able to return to work until cleared by health officials. Another employee is out with symptoms awaiting the results of their test. We are monitoring these situations closely.

One household in independent living is continuing to be quarantined because of a positive test. They will remain isolated until cleared by health officials. All other previous cases have been cleared.

Typically, rural areas appear to lag behind the more populated areas in the spread of the virus. With the new spike that is being reported elsewhere, we are now beginning to experience it here locally. Since our last report, there have been 88 new cases in Suwannee County, 31 reported just yesterday. There have now been 3,181 cases of COVID-19 in Suwannee County since March.

As Thanksgiving approaches, there are many who want to be with family at this special time. Events where people gather especially indoors for longer periods of time is a way the virus easily spreads.

Our recommendation is to forego such events, but if you do participate, please follow the guidelines that we have requested for anytime you are out. Wear a mask, maintain safe distances and follow good hygiene practices.

If you have plans to host guests here at ACV, we ask that you notify your Service Coordinator and plan for your guests to follow our screening requirements. Likewise, please be reminded that non-members are not able to use Village facilities, including the dining room. Remember, your actions affect more than just you; they have the potential to impact the entire community. Thank you for your cooperation as we continue to try to limit risk.

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

The next scheduled update is Friday, November 27. Have a Happy Thanksgiving!