



**WEEKLY UPDATE**

**July 1, 2020**

Dear Residents and Families/Representatives,

Please accept this letter as San Gabriel Rehabilitation and Care Center's weekly update to keep you informed about the status of COVID in our facility and what we are doing to keep our residents and staff safe during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.

We are happy to report that, as of today, we have no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in our facility.

Our facility continues to follow the CDC and our local health department's guidance for all appropriate precautions and preventative measures to protect our residents and staff during this pandemic, including visitation recommendations. As such, and in accordance with the guidelines available to us, we are still continuing restrictions on visitation at this time.

We realize how difficult it is not to be able to see your loved ones, and we continue to closely monitor the situation in hopes that we can reopen for visitation soon. However, it is our responsibility to make sure your loved ones are as safe as possible and reopening our facility to visitors too soon could increase our residents' risk of exposure to COVID-19. 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 that communication.

As a reminder, only essential personnel are allowed inside the facility and we screen them for signs and symptoms of illness prior to entering. Our residents are continually monitored and staff is using PPE as recommended by the CDC. Staff is frequently reminded and encouraged 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. We ask them not to report to work if they have symptoms of illness.

Please continue to check our website for updates. As always, we will notify you if we receive confirmation of a new positive case in our facility and we will reach out to you individually if your loved one is displaying symptoms of COVID-19 or tests positive for COVID-19.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact us directly at (512) 334-8000.

Sincerely,

*Leah Gage*

Leah Gage, LNFA  
Administrator



**Notification/Weekly Update**

July 14, 2020

To Our Valued Residents, Families and Representatives:

Please accept this letter as an update to inform you about the status of COVID in our facility and what we are doing to keep our residents and staff safe during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.

We have been extremely busy administering tests to all of our residents and staff, which was completed on July 8th. We are still waiting for results on all of the tests, but can confirm that, as of today, 48 residents and 33 staff members have tested positive for COVID-19.

While we are disappointed to see the increased number of cases in our facility, we knew that our numbers would likely go up as a result of mass testing. Rather than be discouraged by more known cases, we are encouraged that access to testing is improving our ability to respond to this virus and will enable us to protect our residents and staff in a more targeted way moving forward.

We are committed to seeing the number of positive cases in our facility go down and we will continue to implement and practice enhanced safety precautions recommended by our federal, state and local health officials, such as, only allowing essential personnel inside the facility, 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.

As a reminder, we will post updates on our facility website 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 512-334-8000.

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## **WEEKLY UPDATE**

**July 24, 2020**

Dear Residents and Families/Representatives,

Please accept this letter as our weekly update regarding the status of COVID-19 in our facility. Since the onset of this virus, we have had 61 residents and 43 staff members test positive for COVID-19. We now have 19 residents who have improved and moved into our step-down unit. In addition, we have several staff that have improved and returned to work.

As you might already know, the federal government announced last week that it is going to send point-of-care testing supplies for COVID-19 to all skilled nursing facilities in the country. We hope this means better access to testing and faster results for our staff and residents, but we will keep you posted as we get more information and details on this development. As always, we are working hard to keep everyone in our community safe and we will continue to practice the enhanced safety precautions that are known to prevent the spread of COVID-19, such as only essential personnel are allowed inside the facility and we screen them for signs and symptoms of illness prior to entering. Our residents are continually monitored and staff is using PPE as recommended by the CDC. Staff is frequently reminded and encouraged 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. We ask them not to report to work if they have symptoms of illness.

Please continue to check our website for weekly updates as well as notification of new cases. As always, we will notify you if we receive confirmation of a new positive case in our facility and we will reach out to you individually if your loved one is displaying symptoms of COVID-19 or tests positive for COVID-19.

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## **COVID NOTIFICATION/UPDATE**

July 3, 2020

To Our Valued Residents, Families and Representatives:

We recently received confirmation that a staff member at our facility tested positive for COVID-19. While we are disappointed to hear this news after we have worked so hard to prevent the transmission of COVID-19 in our facility, we know that we are dealing with an extremely contagious virus. Rather than be discouraged, we are going focus our efforts on taking all necessary steps to protect our residents and staff from further spread of COVID-19

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, only allowing essential personnel inside the facility, 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.

As a reminder, we will post updates on our facility website at [www.sangabrielcarecenter.com](http://www.sangabrielcarecenter.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 512-334-8000.

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## **WEEKLY UPDATE**

**July 30, 2020**

Dear Residents and Families/Representatives,

Please accept this letter as our weekly update regarding the status of COVID-19 in our facility. Since the onset of this virus, we have had 65 residents and 45 staff members test positive for COVID-19. We now have 25 residents and 31 staff members who have recovered. We anticipate that we will see an increase in these numbers in the short future.

As always, we are working hard to keep everyone in our community safe and we will continue to practice the enhanced safety precautions that are known to prevent the spread of COVID-19, such as only essential personnel are allowed inside the facility and we screen them for signs and symptoms of illness prior to entering. Our residents are continually monitored and staff is using PPE as recommended by the CDC. Staff is frequently reminded and encouraged 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. We ask them not to report to work if they have symptoms of illness.

Please continue to check our website for weekly updates as well as notification of new cases. As always, we will notify you if we receive confirmation of a new positive case in our facility and we will reach out to you individually if your loved one is displaying symptoms of COVID-19 or tests positive for COVID-19.

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## **WEEKLY UPDATE**

**July 8, 2020**

Dear Residents and Families/Representatives,

We hope everyone had a fun and safe July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend! Over the holiday, and always, our staff works hard to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our facility. At this time, we have two employees that have been reported to be positive for COVID-19. In addition, we have 2 residents that have been confirmed positive for COVID-19. Today we conducted mass testing for all residents and all staff. We are anticipating to have results back shortly.

We continue to follow our federal, state and local health officials' recommendations and guidance for all appropriate precautions and preventative measures that we have reported to you on our website and previous weekly updates.

With the growing number of COVID-19 cases in certain areas of the country, it is also important to remember what you can do to help prevent community spread of the virus. You should wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, avoid close contact with people who are sick and people who don't live in your household by maintaining six feet of distance between you and them, cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face cover when around others, cover coughs and sneezes using the inside of your elbow and immediately wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, and clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily.

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