

COVID-19 UPDATE

November 26, 2020

Dear Employees of Splendido,

We have learned of **13 employees and residents who have tested positive for COVID-19**. Today's update is in addition to the cases reported on November 20. **The new cases include:**

- 1 Independent Living resident
- 4 employees who work in Independent Living
- 3 Sonora residents
- 5 employees who work in Sonora

We understand this is not the news anyone wanted to receive. Please be assured that our top priority is the health and safety of residents and employees through this worldwide pandemic. Our main goal is to identify and isolate employees and residents with symptoms and positive cases in order to minimize and prevent further spread.

Splendido is interviewing each of these individuals to determine if they were in close contact with residents and/or employees (meaning within 6 feet of anyone for more than 15 minutes). As with past cases, we will notify anyone who was in close contact by phone.

As we all celebrate a most unusual Thanksgiving today, we are grateful to everyone in Splendido for doing your part to help keep us all safe. Please be assured that we continue to follow procedures to protect residents and staff:

1. **Routine testing in Sonora:** We'll continue surveillance testing of residents and employees in Sonora twice a week, until we have achieved 14 days without a positive test result.
2. **Cleaning & sanitation controls:** In addition to regular cleaning, our housekeeping team cleans and disinfects high-touch areas in Sonora. In addition to these strong infection control practices, we had a national company sanitize and deep clean high-touch areas.
3. **Staff are wearing PPE:** Employees who provide care in Sonora wear personal protective equipment (PPE) including a mask, gloves, goggles or a shield, and a gown.
4. **Health screenings:** Employees undergo a health screening and temperature check before they begin their shift at Splendido. In Sonora, staff are screened twice per shift for temperature changes and symptoms and residents are screened twice per shift for temperature, respiratory status, and oxygen levels.

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- 5. COVID-19 task force:** The interdisciplinary task force of Mather senior leadership continues to meet regularly to implement proactive, decisive actions and discuss new protocols, policies, and procedures for implementation. The group closely monitors the Center for Disease Control's recommendations, as well as those from state and local health agencies.

Please take care, stay well, and enjoy your Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

James C. Edwartoski
AVP & Executive Director

PLEASE SELF MONITOR FOR COVID-19 SYMPTOMS

If you are experiencing any of the following symptoms, you should contact your physician for guidance, stay in your home, and notify your supervisor or Human Resources. Symptoms include a loss of taste or smell, cough, fever, sore throat, shortness of breath, headache, chills, muscle pain, pink eye, eye pain, vertigo, discoloration of the toes, and gastrointestinal issues such as diarrhea, nausea, or vomiting.

