



ATTENTION: HERITAGE AND RIDGEWOOD RESIDENTS, FAMILY MEMBERS AND TEAM MEMBERS

IMPORTANT – 12/18/2020 COVID-19 UPDATE – *please read this in its entirety.*

In accordance with shared recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the Pennsylvania Department of Health (PA DOH) and others, St. Paul's is in the process of administering our weekly widespread team member COVID-19 testing.

We have a little over half of our test results for staff and about two thirds of our residents from our weekly resident and team member testing for the week ending December 18, 2020. We also continue to screen staff and residents daily for signs and symptoms and recommend consultation with a clinician to determine whether symptomatic testing is necessary.

At this point, we have been notified of one Heritage resident, who has been and continues to be asymptomatic, having a positive test result for Covid-19. Without having all of our test results back, we are unable to conclude our contact tracing investigation. We also had one team member test positive at the Heritage and one St. Paul's Without Walls team member who provides services to a resident in the Heritage test positive for Covid-19. Neither of these individuals had any contact with the resident who tested positive this week. We have interviewed both team members and they have assured us that they followed proper infection control protocols at all times.

We will continue weekly testing for both residents and team members next week and will keep you posted as to those results. We are also continuing to maintain a "Yellow Zone" status for most of the residents at this time as per guidance and recommendations set forth by CMS and PA DOH. Please refer to our website for additional information relating to "Zones."

If you have any questions regarding this communication or St. Paul's plan of action please contact Dianna Jones, Administrator at The Heritage or Mickie Chapman, Administrator at The Ridgewood.