



Important Update re: COVID-19 *from Gil Fonger, President & CEO*

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• **Positive Cases on Geneva Campus**

This morning I received reports that six additional staff on the Geneva campus have tested positive for the COVID-19 virus.

- Five cases are direct care staff who were detected through the contact tracing/ Marklund-based testing taken at the Tommy (MTH) and Sayers (MSH) homes.
- The sixth is in the Administrative Wing in the Hyde Center and completed separate testing after an off-site exposure.

One of the newly positive employees had worked in MSH and then picked up a shift at the Dreher Home (MDH) prior to last week’s positive staff case at MTH/MSH being discovered. Therefore, all residents at MDH will be tested, as will additional staff who are identified through contact tracing. We are also in the process of conducting contact tracing on administrative staff.

Please note that we are following all IDPH and CDC protocol with regard to sanitizing and deep cleaning of affected areas.

At this point, MTH, MSH, MRH, and MDH are in Phase 1 of the State of Illinois’ Long-Term Care Facility Reopening Plan, which restricts visitation and outings to virtual experiences only. See the below chart for Phase breakdowns for these facilities. Projected dates for transitioning between phases are estimated, based on no additional cases developing. Reminder: Outdoor Visits are allowed once we are in Phase 2, while Indoor Visits are welcome in Phase 3.

	PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3
MRH	10/2/2020	10/16/2020	10/31/2020
MTH	10/14/2020	10/29/2020	11/13/2020
MSH	10/14/2020	10/29/2020	11/13/2020
MDH	10/14/2020	10/29/2020	11/13/2020

As always, reach out to me directly with questions or concerns. My contact information is 630-593-5476 or gfonger@marklund.org.

Thank you,

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