



## WEEKLY UPDATE

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Dear Residents and Families/Representatives,

As we approach summer and Maryland is starting to reopen slowly, we want you to know that the staff at Berlin Nursing and Rehabilitation continues to work hard to prevent further spread of COVID-19 in our facility.

As of today, 64 residents and 23 staff members have tested positive for COVID-19. Regarding our residents; we have had 31 residents successfully graduate from our COVID-19 unit and are doing well. We currently have 17 residents on our COVID 19 unit and we continue to monitor those residents closely. We are deeply saddened that we have lost some of our residents to this virus and our deepest sympathies go out to their loved ones. We will miss them terribly as they were part of our family.

Regarding our 23 staff members; 19 staff members have completed their quarantine period and are back to work. 10 staff members are in quarantine in the recovery phase and hope to get back soon. We continue to screen and take temperatures of all staff members at the beginning and end of their shift and we provide them Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) necessary to protect our residents and each other. Staff that work the COVID-19 unit are dedicated staff and enter and exit via a separate door directly onto the unit.

In addition to the increased safety precautions we have previously reported, we have a process in place to safely transport residents on and off our COVID-19 unit. The attending physician and physician assistants (PA) conduct rounds on our COVID-19 residents daily and we meet with them daily to review all residents and to discuss their progress in determining when a resident may be coming on/off the COVID-19 unit.

We are in constant contact with Worcester County Health Department and they were instrumental in assisting us with completing our mass testing. We continue to conduct symptom-based testing on our residents and staff when it is indicated. In the coming weeks we will be re-testing all of our residents and staff members. We will keep you posted as administer those tests and receive the results.

Please 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 410.641.4400.

Sincerely,

  
Angie Gozali  
Administrator