



January 5, 2021

Dear Residents and Families.

Post positive COVID-19 update:

On December 18, 2020 we posted notification of confirmation of a member of our non-direct care staff who tested positive for COVID-19. The staff member continues to be at home and recovering. We followed the Hawaii Department of Health recommendations as well as our facilities Mitigation Plan. We have conducted two rounds of COVID-19 testing 97 residents and 163 staff during the 14-day period following confirmation of the positive COVID-19.

We are happy to report that each round of testing all test results were NEGATIVE for the COVID-19 virus.

We will continue to conduct testing on employees at a frequency that has been determined by Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). The frequency is directly related to the State of Hawaii's positivity rate. We are also continuing our infection control precautions:

Precautions include:

- Employee and essential vendors/ contractors are screened for any COVID-19 symptoms, including fever prior to entering the building.
- Employee and essential vendors/ contractors are asked a set of screening questions to ensure there will be minimal risk of exposure to others.
- All employees are required to wear appropriate PPE at all times as recommended by CDC.
- High touch surfaces are disinfected frequently.
- Physical distancing required throughout facility.
- We continue to follow infection control protocol including frequent hand hygiene.

COVID-19 Vaccination update:

In regards to the COVID-19 Vaccination (Moderna), our first vaccination clinic was completed on January 4, 2021 and it went very well. A total of 94 residents and 72 staff received their 1st vaccination. Residents are being monitored for side effects. At this time resident's do have soreness at the injection site, no other side effects have been observed in any of the residents. Two staff had mild to moderate side effects, they are resting and doing well. As a reminder this is a two shot series.

The 2nd vaccination clinic will be held on February 1, 2021.

Please visit our website at www.alohanursing.com for updates. We will continue to keep you informed of any further developments. If you have questions or concerns, please call 247-2220 ext. 542 for Darrin or ext. 536 for Vanessa. Please leave a message and we will respond as soon as possible.

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