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Durand Senior Care and Rehab Reports Additional Cases

The Shiawassee County Health Department has been notified of six residents and five employees that have tested positive for COVID-19. This brings the total case count to 19 at Durand Senior Care and Rehab.

Durand Senior Care and Rehab is working closely with the Shiawassee County Health Department to monitor these individuals. Residents are being self-isolated, and at this time none have been hospitalized. Employees that have tested positive for COVID-19 will be self-isolated and will not return to work until they have been released from monitoring by the Health Department.

Durand Senior Care and Rehab continues to work to protect their employees and residents by following guidelines outlined by the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Strategies being used to mitigate the spread include:

- We are currently taking temperatures on all residents and staff twice a day.
- We are monitoring resident's respiratory status two times a day.
- We have shut down all communal spaces and residents are quarantined to their rooms.
- We have limited all non-essential visitors for over the last 3 weeks.
- We have re-educated staff on the signs and symptoms of COVID-19 and how it is spread.
- Staff members are wearing masks when they clock in.
- Additionally any residents that are symptomatic will be moved to a dedicated unit and put in respiratory isolation. At that time we will work in conjunction with the local health department and the attending physician for care delivery.
- Patients in the facility who have tested positive will be moved to an isolated unit. This unit will consist of dedicated staff members and will be treated in place per CDC guidelines.

Mike Perry stated, "Durand Senior Care Center continues to work closely with the Shiawassee County Health Department, CMS, CDC, MDCH, LARA and Governor Whitmer's office to meet the needs of our residents, staff and community. Each day brings an opportunity to learn and adapt to this dynamic and fluid health crisis we share collectively. As always, we are thankful for our families and professional staff. Together, we will get through this."

“Our concern is the health and wellness of the Durand Senior Care and Rehab staff and residents. We are here to help them through this difficult and trying time” states Health Officer, Larry Johnson.

COVID-19 is prevalent in Shiawassee County, meaning the virus is present throughout the county. County residents should practice social distancing by staying 6 feet away from others and only going out for essential items like groceries or medication.

For additional information related to COVID-19, please visit www.cdc.gov/coronavirus, www.michigan.gov/coronavirus, or health.shiawassee.net.

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