To Our Addolorata Villa Residents and Family Members:

Today was a particularly difficult day for Addolorata Villa relating to the Covid-19 virus. Today we had two additional residents in skilled nursing test positive and six associates who reported positive test results. We ask for your continued prayers for those residents and associates that are currently battling the virus.

Update on our widespread testing: Assisted Living, Ancora (memory support) and all staff that were on duty yesterday and today on those units has been completed. Aspen, Chapel View and the staff that were on duty today were also tested. All test specimens will be picked up today and we should have results in 2 to 3 days. Over the past two days we have tested 128 residents/staff. We are thankful to Dr. Leo Kanev, our medical director, who personally did all the testing for us.

With six additional staff members now off and in quarantine, we are extra thankful for the dedicated staff who are able to work. We have secured additional clinical staff to supplement our staffing and we have additional therapists (who are furloughed from another employer right now) who are functioning as additional CNAs for us and we are thankful for their help during this time. We do have several staff members who should be coming off quarantine over the next several days and they should be back in the staffing plan soon.

**Confirmed Cases to Report Today:**

**Residents Testing Positive**

Both residents resided on the first floor skilled nursing and had been tested due to exhibiting symptoms. Results were obtained today.

**Associates Testing Positive**

A plant operations/maintenance associate, who last worked on 5/07/2020 and went on 5/08/2020 to get tested for COVID-19. On 5/12/2020 the test yielded a positive for the virus.

An RCA, in the Ancora Memory Support Unit, who last worked on 5/05/2020. They began exhibiting symptoms on 5/09/2020 and went to get tested for COVID-19 on 5/11/2020. On 5/12/2020 the test yielded a positive result for the virus. They had previously been tested, at another place of employment, on 4/27/2020 and the test yielded a negative result at that time.

An RCA, in Assisted Living, who last worked on 5/06/2020. They began exhibiting symptoms on 5/08/2020 and went to get tested for COVID-19 on 5/11/2020. On 5/12/2020 the test yielded a positive result for the virus. They had previously been tested, at another place of employment, on 4/27/2020 and the test yielded a negative result at that time.

A registered nurse, from the healthcare center, who last worked on 5/08/2020 and started exhibiting symptoms on that date. On 5/11/2020 they were tested for COVID-19. On 5/13/2020 the test yielded a positive result for the virus.

A dining assistant who last worked on 5/05/2020. They began exhibiting symptoms on 5/09/2020 and were tested for COVID-19 on that same date. On 5/13/2020 the test yielded a positive result for the virus.

An LPN who worked in the healthcare center reported positive test results to us today.

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Important to note: All of our prior reported prevention and containment procedures remain in place. Both floors of the skilled nursing are full PPE at this time (masks, face shields, gowns, gloves), so we essentially are treating all residents as if they are positive. At this time, the most important action we can take is to monitor everyone and treat for symptoms.

**Containment Procedures:**
Residents continue to be monitored closely for the earliest signs or symptoms of COVID-19. **If any signs or symptoms develop, a resident is immediately isolated.** Associates continue to be screened daily when they report for work; if any screening element is noted to be abnormal, the associate is sent home.

**Precautionary Measures:**
Our Infection Preventionist, along with our Head of Clinical and Infectious Disease Control are widening the visitor screening procedures, adding additional screening items to the list of current symptoms that we have been screening for. The skilled nursing unit has limited access to only staff assigned to that unit with no visitors allowed. Addolorata Villa continues to restrict visitors and monitors those associates and residents, following CDC-regulated standards for infection control and to prevent any spread of the virus. The staff continues to maintain proper PPE recommendations and protocol, as defined by the local and state health departments and the CDC.

We understand that this is a time of anxiety and unknowns for the safety of you or your loved ones. 100% of our efforts are dedicated towards the safety of your loved ones. Should you have any questions, please visit our Addolorata Villa Facebook page or the Franciscan Ministry COVID-19 Web Page - www.franciscanministries.org/coronavirus-response/ for daily updates and information. For additional information, please visit the CDC’s coronavirus disease information page.

The safety of our residents and associates continues to be our most important concern.

Sincerely,

Judy Amiano
President and CEO