



## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **Pleasant View Has Employee Test Positive for COVID-19**

One employee has tested positive for COVID-19 at Pleasant View. This employee is self-isolating at home. Residents are being isolated in their rooms and not participating in group activities.

The Shiawassee County Health Department continues to work with healthcare partners, including long-term care facilities, during the current COVID-19 response. Pleasant View is working closely with the Shiawassee County Health Department and following the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Guidelines. Health Department staff will continue to monitor this individual.

Staff members that have tested positive for COVID-19 will not be able to return to work until:

- At least three days (72 hours) have passed since recovery defined as resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications and improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and,
- At least seven days have passed since symptoms first appeared; and
- All symptoms have improved; and
- Been released by the Health Department from monitoring

Pleasant View has implemented the following strategies to protect their staff and residents from the spread of COVID-19:

- We are continuing to take temperatures on all residents and staff twice a day
- We are continuing to monitor staff for respiratory symptoms, and new acute changes, twice a day
- We are continuing to monitor resident's respiratory status twice a day
- We are continuing to monitor resident's for new acute changes twice a day
- We have shut down all communal spaces and residents are quarantined to their rooms
- We have restricted all non-essential visitors for over the last 5 weeks
- We are continually educating staff on the signs and symptoms of COVID-19 and how it is spread
- Staff members are continuing to wear masks at all times

COVID-19 is present in our community. The Shiawassee County Health Department urges residents to continue social distancing by maintaining 6-foot separation from others and continuing to follow the Governor's Executive Order to Stay Home, Stay Safe. For COVID-19 related information please visit [health.shiawassee.net](http://health.shiawassee.net).

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