



Preakness Healthcare Center

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Update, as of April 23, 2020
(As of 6 pm)

Please Note: This Update is posted on the Passaic County website, the Passaic County Facebook page and distributed to all staff. Our social workers will distribute the Update to residents who wish to receive it. Notification of the Update will be made on the Constant Contact email group for families who have elected to provide their email addresses.

We wish all who will observe Ramadan beginning this evening a healthy month as the pandemic continues to affect all aspects of our lives.

We are providing the following update for our census of 315 residents:

- Seventy-six residents have been tested. Forty resident test results were positive, eighteen were negative and results are pending for eighteen residents. Thirteen of the forty residents have tragically passed away.
- One hundred three of our 529 staff have been tested. Forty-five staff test results were positive, forty-four were negative and results are pending for fourteen staff who have gone for testing or will go for testing this week. Staff continue to return from periods of at home-quarantine.
- Four residents who have tested positive are hospitalized. Two will return this evening.

Calls continue to be made by nursing staff to the designated representatives for residents who are directly impacted by illness, testing or hospitalization. We continue to test residents on-site who are clinically appropriate for on-site testing. We are continuing to cohort together residents who have tested positive, residents who are presumed positive pending test results and residents who do not exhibit any signs or symptoms of illness, and are grateful to the staff who are working on our quarantined units. Of our ten resident units, two units are on quarantine with residents who have tested positive; three units are on precautionary isolation. All residents who return from an emergency room visit are isolated on a separate wing of a resident unit for approximately fourteen days.

As always, we are grateful to our staff who continue to care for our residents and to our staff with responsibilities to support the direct care staff. Many thanks for the continued support of our residents and families during these challenging and emotional times.

Sincerely,

Lucinda Corrado, LNHA, Executive Director