# **COVID-19 UPDATE**

Dear Employees of The Mather,

We wanted to inform you that we have learned that **a resident who lives in Independent Living has tested positive for COVID-19.** We wish this individual a speedy recovery.

The Mather is interviewing the individual to determine if they were in close contact with residents and/or employees (meaning within 6 feet of anyone for more than 15 minutes). Individuals who have been in close contact will be notified.

### MASKS REQUIRED IN AMENITY SPACES:

This is a reminder that everyone, including visitors, is required to wear face masks in our hallways, elevators, and indoor amenity areas.

### **REDUCE YOUR RISK:**

We encourage you to protect yourself by:

- Staying home if you feel ill. If you are experiencing any symptoms, we strongly encourage you to stay home and avoid spreading any illness you may have. If you think you have COVID-19 or were exposed to COVID-19, get tested.
- Practicing good hand hygiene by washing your hands frequently for 20+ seconds.
- Wearing a mask that covers your mouth and nose when indoors in a public area.

## FREE COVID-19 TEST KITS AVAILABLE:

We still have free home-based COVID-19 tests kits available for any interested residents or employees. You can get one kit at a time, and each kit contains two tests. Mather did not purchase these kits and does not endorse one brand of kit over others. It is completely voluntary for interested individuals to accept a kit.

Note that if you receive a positive test result at home, OR if your result is negative but you have COVID-19 symptoms, then you should stay in your home and contact your health care provider. Your provider may recommend a follow-up test.

#### To get your free home-based test kit, please see your HR representative.

Please take care and stay well.

Sincerely,

Deann Daniel Executive Director

