



## **COVID-19 Update Statement – Trinity Care Center**

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Caraday Healthcare is a leader in skilled nursing, delivering integrated and coordinated care along the long-term and post-acute care continuum.

Given the significant extent of the Coronavirus (also known as COVID-19) and the particular risk it poses to the elderly and compromised residents of Caraday's 13 centers in Texas, our leadership team has announced proactive plans to take every precautionary measure to ensure the safety of our residents and staff. We also will expand our role as a credible and reliable source of information for our patients, residents, families, employees, local health agencies, and the broader communities in which we operate because they are already reaching out to us with sometimes conflicting information.

In a previous Trinity Care Center update, we indicated that several residents' and team members' COVID-19 test results came back positive. We have since conducted follow up testing for all who had originally tested negative, as a precautionary practice. The updated totals of positive test results are 43 residents and 19 team members.

Caraday has been extremely proactive from the start – even restricting visitors before we were required by the state – because we fully understand our responsibility caring for some of our most vulnerable people. We are following our pre-established protocols that include implementing immediate and precautionary steps to ensure we stop the spread of the infection within our community. Caraday is proactively working with public health agencies and medical providers and we are monitoring the situation very closely.

Following guidelines issued by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the World Health Organization (WHO), and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), as well as our own Infection Prevention and Control Program, we have implemented the following measures:

- We were and are very proactive in not permitting medically unnecessary visitors and restricting access to our communities since early March.
- In lieu of in-person visits, we are helping facilitate virtual communications and social connectedness between our residents and their families and friends.
- We continually conduct extensive and ongoing employee education on ensuring resident and personal protection, including extreme hand hygiene guidelines.
- We require the use of personal protective equipment.
- We perform extreme and continuous housekeeping using highly effective cleaning products for common viral infections.

We will also continue to actively communicate the steps Caraday is taking to protect all of our communities, as well as disseminate ongoing news and updates regarding COVID-19 and guidelines people can use to better protect themselves as a matter of course. For more information, visit [caradayhealth.com/covid-19](https://caradayhealth.com/covid-19).

### **About Caraday Healthcare**

Caraday Healthcare is a Texas-based skilled nursing corporation operating 13 communities that provide a full range of rehabilitation and skilled care services, memory care, and advanced pulmonary and ventilator care. Caraday is one of the only long-term post-acute care networks led by a broad-based interdisciplinary healthcare leadership team including a nationally-recognized geriatrician, public health and population health management professionals.

With unmatched expertise in data-driven, patient-centered, population health and geriatric medicine, Caraday's mission is to deliver superior outcomes, experience and value – all focused on restoring health so patients can live their best lives.