

Little Sisters of the Poor  
**St. Anne's Home**  
San Francisco

August 22, 2022

Dear Residents, Families and Friends,

Hard to believe that summer is almost over and school is starting for many of our young people and staff! The last time we wrote we were in the middle of the summer!

Unfortunately, we have some sad news and that is that one of our Residents in the SNF area tested positive. This resident is currently in the hospital and the only one who has tested positive, everyone else with any close contact including residents and staff have tested negative. Our Infection Preventionist is doing her detective work by tracing those who may have had any close contact for 15 minutes or more as we try to determine where the virus came from. (Which is why we ask you to sign up ahead of time and to let us know your contact information, etc. so we can find you if we need to.)

We hope and pray that will be the only resident that tests positive.

Back in July when we last wrote to you the positivity rate – meaning the percentage of people who were positive for Covid – was 16% in San Francisco and California was also 16.7%. Now San Francisco is at 9.2% and California is at 11.2%. The rates are going down but not down to where they need to be – less than 3%. And we are well aware of what the CDC has said to the general public but we come under the umbrella of those who care for the vulnerable and so we still have to do many things to protect them. ***That is why we are still trying to be so very cautious*** and still insisting on scheduling visits AT LEAST 24 HOURS AHEAD OF TIME – thank you to those of you who are doing that very faithfully on line – we are also still checking vaccine and booster status and keeping copies of your vaccine cards on hand which is required by the State - and we are assuring that everyone gets screened coming in and masking as they should be. *The majority of visits are still downstairs unless your loved one truly is unable to come down to the lobby. We would discourage eating with your loved one right now* but bringing them something to eat is fine. *Outdoor visits are still preferred* if the weather is permitting. We are trying to get back to normal but until these numbers go down even further taking your loved one out to a restaurant is still *very risky* right now.

Because of our one case we are considered in “outbreak” and we hope and pray that no more residents or staff get the virus. Over 90% of all of our residents received both vaccines and boosters. We still have over 90% of our staff who are considered “fully vaccinated” which includes the first booster.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation! Keep the prayers going and we will too!

God bless you and stay safe!

*Mother Marquerite*