

Covid-19 outbreak at St Mary of the Angels

EIGHT CASES CONFIRMED; FIVE RESIDENTS AMONG THOSE AFFECTED

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FIVE residents and three staff members at St Mary of the Angels' campus in Beaufort have tested positive for COVID-19, St John of God Kerry Services has confirmed.

The service provider for the facility, which is home to roughly 75 residents with physical and intellectual disabilities, outlined the information in response to queries this week by *The Kerryman*. At least one resident was hospitalised. A review of COVID-19 management procedures has taken place, St John of God Kerry Services said, while lead worker representatives

have been appointed to conduct internal audits and oversee compliance with public-health requirements.

The spokesperson insisted that the situation is confined to one unit at the campus and "has been managed in line with all public health guidance from the outset".

"One of the residents was subsequently admitted to hospital for a short period but has since been discharged, is now back at home in the centre and continuing to isolate along with four other residents," the statement read. "All staff and residents impacted are currently doing very well." **SEE PAGE FOUR**

