

Staff Update – October 19th

Through our bi-weekly surveillance testing we have been informed that a staff member on the 3rd floor has tested positive for COVID-19. The staff member is asymptomatic and is currently self-isolating at home. The staff member last worked in the home on October 13th.

Public Health has advised us to isolate 4 residents who the staff member had contact with. These residents along with all residents on the 3rd floor have also been swabbed for the virus. At this time, **no** staff or residents are showing any signs or symptoms of COVID-19. Public Health has not declared an outbreak, and we will be closely monitoring all staff and residents.

We will remain in daily contact with Public Health and follow all IPAC protocols and directives as set out by the Chief Medical Officer of Health. Please remember to follow these guidelines, including:

- Good hand hygiene
- Proper use of PPE, including masks, face shield/google
- Screening in questions
- Maintaining physical distancing on breaks and when eating with your mask off
- If car pooling to work, remember to wear a mask in the car

Most importantly, if you do not feel well notify your supervisor and **do not** come into work. Also, if you have come into contact with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19 in the community, notify your supervisor immediately and **do not** come into work.

A reminder that our next bi-weekly swabbing clinic will be October 20/21/22, please ensure you attend the clinic, and if you are unable to attend, please speak with your supervisor. All staff must have a negative COVID-19 test result every 14 days in order to remain on the schedule.

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with your supervisor or to me directly. My next regular update is scheduled for Thursday October 22nd, unless there is anything to report sooner.

Thank you for your ongoing support and dedication to our residents, each other, and our home.

Michelle Sattler
Executive Director