



Important Update re: COVID-19

from Gil Fonger, President & CEO

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- **Two positive staff cases in Elgin**

This morning, two different direct care staff at the Marklund Wasmond Center (MWC) tested positive for COVID. The first one, who is vaccinated (no booster), felt ill upon arrival and received a rapid test prior to starting the shift. The second employee (unvaccinated) had a positive test offsite. Both had worked last on Friday, Dec. 24, but in different units. Having these two positive cases moves MWC into Outbreak Status and requires broad-based testing of all residents and staff. MWC will be out of Outbreak on Jan. 10 if no other cases develop.

- **Positive administrative and direct care cases in Geneva**

A staff member who works in the administration wing at the Marklund Hyde Center also received positive test results for COVID. This person (vaccinated/no booster) last worked on Wednesday, Dec. 22, and was tested at a physician's office after developing some symptoms. Contact tracing has been completed.

In addition, a direct care employee (vaccinated/no booster) tested positive today for COVID after symptom onset. This person, who tested offsite, last worked in the Marklund Dreher Home (MDH) yesterday, which resets its outbreak status end date at Jan. 10.

I know everyone is tired of hearing this, but I still have to encourage everyone to be very vigilant in protecting themselves both while at work and in their personal lives. Please continue to practice the important safety precautions such as wearing well-fitting masks and social distancing whenever possible.

Thank you,

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CURRENT STATUS PER RESIDENTIAL SITE

	MHH	MVH	MSH	MTH	MDH	MRH	MPC	MWC	MHC
Visitation	Indoor, Outdoor & Virtual	Indoor, Outdoor & Virtual	Indoor, Outdoor & Virtual	Indoor, Outdoor & Virtual	Indoor, Outdoor & Virtual	Indoor, Outdoor & Virtual	Indoor, Outdoor & Virtual	Indoor, Outdoor & Virtual	n/a
Current* Positive Residents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
Current* Positive Staff	2*	1	3*	1*	3*	1*	1	2	3
Date out of Outbreak	1.7.22	1.4.22	1.6.22	1.1.22	1.10.22	1.1.22	1.2.22	1.10.22	n/a
Rounds of Testing to be completed	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	n/a

* 1 employee worked in multiple homes