



# Important Update re: COVID-19 *from Gil Fonger, President & CEO*

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### New cases in Elgin and Geneva

**Marklund Wasmond Center (MWC), Elgin:** A direct care employee received positive PCR results today from a test taken Sunday, Oct. 2, The person had symptom onset on Sunday and had initially tested negative via rapid. This case does extend MWC’s outbreak status as of now until Oct. 17.

**Marklund Tommy Home (MTH), Geneva:** An agency staff member who was working at MTH received positive PCR results today from a test taken yesterday, Oct. 4, after symptom onset. This person last worked on the Oct. 2 overnight shift so the Outbreak Status for MTH has been extended to Oct. 18.

### New regulations

New guidelines for healthcare and long-term-care facilities have been released by CMS (Centers for Medicare & Medicaid) and the CDC (Centers for Disease Control) which will potentially loosen our restrictions regarding vaccine requirements, testing, and wearing PPE (masks, eye protection etc.) We are currently awaiting final written notification from IDPH and the governor’s office and will update everyone as soon as we hear.

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## **OUT-OF-OUTBREAK DATES PER RESIDENTIAL SITE**

	MHH	MVH	MSH	MTH	MDH	MRH	MPC	MWC
Date Site is out of Outbreak	Not in Outbreak	Not in Outbreak	Not in Outbreak	Oct. 18	Oct. 9	Oct. 9	Not in Outbreak	Oct. 17