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Residents, Employees, Family Members, and Volunteers

REGARDING: 146TH WALES COVID-19 UPDATE

Dear Residents, Employees, Family Members, and Volunteers,

Since our last update on Friday, one more Norton 3 resident was placed on preventive isolation for five days due to a positive contact. One more Norton 1 resident and one more Norton 3 resident also tested positive for the virus. Norton 1 now has eleven preventive isolations and seven positive cases and Norton 3 now has thirteen preventive isolations and twelve positive cases; as with the others, the new positive residents will be on self-isolation for ten days.

Due to Friday's influx of positive cases, Public Health will send their mobile testing team to the Wales again tomorrow at 9:15 a.m.; Norton 1 and Norton 3 residents will be tested, except those who are positive and those who have tested positive in the last three months. Certain employees in close contact with positive residents will also be tested. Please see the table below for a breakdown of who will be tested:

Unit	Number of Residents to be Tested	Number of Residents who do Not Require Testing	Employees
Norton 1	26/32 = 81%	6/32 = 19%	13
Norton 3	18/32 = 56%	14/32 = 44%	13
Other	-	-	47
Total	44/64 = 69%	20/64 = 31%	73/186 = 39%

I will issue another letter on Wednesday with the above table updated to include result statistics. Any symptomatic Norton 1 and 3 employees who test negative are asked to take their breaks in the Sub-Basement Breakroom and employees who test positive and return from their self-isolations are asked to break in the Chapel.

Any resident with cold or flu symptoms will be immediately isolated and tested for COVID-19. Any resident with a fever who tests negative for COVID-19 will be tested for influenza. Residents who can apply and remove a mask autonomously are asked to wear one when in close contact with others and to increase hand hygiene. Employees will closely monitor residents to ensure no deconditioning occurs, including maintaining scheduled bathing and walks in hallways with proper personal protective equipment. Since our last update, three employees tested positive for the virus, and four are pending results.

We will keep you updated as this situation progresses. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at the coordinates below or visit our website at <https://waleshome.ca/all-the-news>. Thank you for helping keep our residents and employees safe!

Sincerely,

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