



Cleveland, Monday, May 15th, 2023

Residents, Employees, Family Members, and Volunteers

REGARDING: 168th WALES COVID-19 UPDATE

Dear Residents, Employees, Family Members, and Volunteers,

This weekend, a Manning 2 resident, Administration employee, and Central resident tested positive for COVID-19. This afternoon, another Shaw 1 resident tested positive. The table below summarizes our current positive resident cases:

Unit	Number of Positive Cases
Central	4
Manning and Shaw 1	3
Manning and Shaw 2	3
Norton 2	1
Total	11

The first Manning 2 resident to test positive last week is now off isolation.

Public Health advised us that a second mass testing is scheduled for tomorrow morning. The same employees and residents who were tested during Thursday's mass screening will be retested tomorrow, *except* any residents or employees who tested positive during or since this screening. Employees will be tested from 7:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. in the Mitchell Board Room, followed by resident testing directly on the units.

The following measures still apply on Central and Norton 2 as well as the entire Manning and Shaw wings:

- Employees and visitors must wear blue procedural masks constantly while on the units
- Residents are strongly advised to wear blue procedural masks, but this practice is not mandatory unless they test positive or for five days after they were in close contact with someone who tests positive
- Positive residents are allowed to leave their rooms for a walk or to go outside *if* they do not have a fever. They must wear a blue procedural mask and maintain a two-metre distance from other residents. They do not require accompaniment
- Residents identified as having had a close contact with someone who tests positive must continue eating their meals in the Visitor Dining Room. If this space becomes too full, they can be seated together in the Main Dining Room if they keep a two-metre distance from others

We realized there was an update numbering error, which was corrected today: this is our 168th COVID-19 letter. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our Director of Nursing, Audrey Beauchesne, at abeauchesne@waleshome.ca or 819-826-3266 extension 224 or visit our website at <https://waleshome.ca/all-the-news>.

Sincerely,

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