



Cleveland, Wednesday, February 1st, 2023

Residents, Employees, Family Members, and Volunteers

REGARDING: 156TH WALES COVID-19 UPDATE

Dear Residents, Employees, Family Members, and Volunteers,

Since our last update, two Manning 1 residents, three Norton 2 residents, two Shaw 1 residents, two Shaw 3 residents, and two Shaw 4 residents tested positive for COVID-19, so they are self-isolating to their rooms for ten days. Their five tablemates from Manning 1, Manning 2, Shaw 2, and Shaw 3 tested negative for the virus but are preventively isolating to their rooms for five days. Manning and Shaw 1 currently have twelve positive cases, Norton 2 has seven, Shaw 3 has two, and Shaw 4 has two. Manning and Shaw 1, Norton 2, Shaw 3, and Shaw 4 are considered under outbreak.

Five employees are currently out sick due to COVID-19, constituting twenty-one missing shifts per week. Yesterday, a Centre intégré universitaire de santé et de services sociaux de l'Estrie – Centre hospitalier universitaire de Sherbrooke nurse was onsite for a surprise inspection of our RPA to ensure proper personal protective equipment and isolation measures were implemented. The examination was short and sweet as the nurse had no recommendations; he quickly saw that we are following government measures above and beyond their expectations.

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 increase hand hygiene. Employees will closely monitor residents to ensure no deconditioning occurs, including maintaining scheduled bathing, supervised walks in hallways with proper personal protective equipment, and individualized visits from the Activity Department in their rooms.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brendalee Piironen".

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