

November 17, 2022

Dear Villagers, Team members, Family members and Friends;

In the past 48 hours we received notification that two (2) of our team members have tested positive for COVID-19. These individuals are recovering at home and will return following CDC guidelines for healthcare personnel. We wish our coworkers well in their recovery.

The last worked date for these individuals was November 15, 2022 (11/15) and they have been off work based on symptom development. Public Health has been updated. We will continue with testing team members and villagers, per CDC guidelines. As always, you will be notified if there are any new identified cases in team members or villagers.

As previously shared, testing methodology is now based on contact tracing versus surveillance. As a result, the individuals deemed to be close contacts with this individual will be tested in accordance with the new recommendations. This will not necessitate a quarantine period for any villagers. Contact tracing tests were started yesterday and all have returned negative.

Although we are considered to be in outbreak status, it does not affect visitation for any villagers. We encourage all visitors to follow guidelines of safe practice during their visit.

Per CMS requirements, we will continue to notify you in the event that new COVID-19 cases are identified at Brewster Village. Brewster Village team members remain diligent in infection control measures, including utilizing universal source control (masks), additional personal protective equipment when necessary, enhanced cleaning, and maintaining a high level of diligence for monitoring for signs and symptoms of COVID-19. I continue to applaud their efforts in keeping the villagers and themselves safe.

Sincerely,

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