

January 11, 2023

Dear Villagers, Team members, Family members and Friends;

In the past 48 hours we received notification that two 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. The latest worked date for these individual was January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023. We wish our coworkers well in their recovery. We have determined that contact trace testing must be completed for two of our villagers and one additional staff member, this will run through January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

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 of COVID-19 in team members or villagers.

As previously shared, testing methodology is now based on contact tracing versus surveillance testing. We are continuing broad based testing weekly of all staff until we are positive free for 14 days.

We remain in outbreak status; however, visitation has not been impacted. 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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