

February 5, 2023

Dear Villagers, Team members, Family members and Friends;

In the past 48 hours we received notification that one (1) of our Villagers has tested positive for COVID-19. This individual is being cared for as symptoms develop and will remain in precautions per CDC guidelines for COVID patients. We have reviewed all staff and villagers that may have had contact with the affected individual. We determined that no contact trace testing must be completed for any villagers. Identified staff will be asked to participate in contact trace testing per CDC guidelines.

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. However, we are continuing broad based testing weekly of all staff until we are positive free for 14 days.

We are again in outbreak status; however, visitation has not been impacted. Unfortunately, we are again requiring mask use for all individuals visiting Brewster Village. 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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