

April 4, 2020 Media Statement

It is with deep sadness that we confirm the passing of two of our residents due to complications from COVID-19. Our condolences go out to the family and loved ones of these residents during this difficult time.

As of today, four non-clinical staff members and one additional resident have tested positive for the virus. The resident is receiving care at Rochester East in an isolation setting in compliance with CDC guidance, while the staff members are recovering at home. Following confirmation of positive test results, we immediately informed our residents, their family and their responsible parties, as well as our staff and medical partners.

We are taking all precautionary steps possible to stop the spread of this virus within our center. We will continue to work closely with the Minnesota Department of Health and local public health to ensure we can continue to care for our residents in a healthy and safe manner.

For everyone's safety, we will maintain our restriction on all visitors to our center in accordance with guidelines from CMS and the CDC. We will continue to restrict visitation to only essential employees, vendors, medical partners, and compassionate care visitors, and will actively screen all prior to entering the building.

We are humbled by the dedication our care givers have to the health, safety, and well-being of those we serve. We are working tirelessly to provide patient-centered, quality and compassionate care to each resident in our center.