



Media Statement – Update on outbreak at Mount Royal Care Centre – Calgary
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Alberta Health Services (AHS) confirmed today that 68 residents of Mount Royal Care Centre in Calgary have tested positive for COVID-19 since the outbreak began on October 18. Fifty-three of these residents have recovered. We regret to confirm that 13 residents have passed away with COVID-19 during this outbreak. The Mount Royal team offers their most sincere condolences to the family and friends of the people we have lost to the pandemic.

AHS also confirmed that since the outbreak began, 44 staff members have tested positive for COVID-19. Thirty-nine of these staff members have recovered and returned to work, the rest remain at home in self-isolation.

We are working closely with Alberta Health Services officials and have implemented pandemic outbreak protocols and enhanced infection control practices. All residents are monitored closely for symptoms twice daily. All staff are screened at the beginning and end of their shifts and are being cohorted to assigned areas. Staff are required to wear an appropriate mask and eye protection in the home.

Enhanced cleaning is being done at Mount Royal. We are disinfecting high touch surfaces like handrails and doors, resident rooms, common areas and staff rooms frequently.

Contact tracing and testing of residents and staff will continue to take place at the direction of Alberta Health Services. One on one recreation activities will be continued to maintain social engagement.

We will continue to provide updates for residents, their families and staff regarding the status of the outbreak. At the direction of Public Health, visits are on hold except for essential visits.

Revera continues to do everything we can to keep our residents and employees safe as we work to prevent the spread of COVID-19 at our long term care homes and retirement residences.