



**Media Statement – Update on outbreak at Jasper Place Long Term Care Home – Edmonton
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Alberta Health Services (AHS) has confirmed that 32 residents of Jasper Place Long Term Care Home have tested positive for COVID-19 since the outbreak began on October 23, 2020. Twenty-three of these resident cases have resolved. We regret to confirm that nine residents have passed away with COVID-19 during this outbreak. The Jasper Place team offers their most sincere condolences to the families and friends of the residents we have lost to the pandemic.

AHS also confirmed that since the outbreak began, 36 staff have tested positive for COVID-19. Thirty-five staff cases have now resolved, the remaining staff members is at home in isolation.

We are working very closely with AHS and Public Health officials and are following pandemic outbreak protocols and infection control practices. All residents are monitored twice daily for symptoms.

All staff are screened at the beginning and end of their shifts and are being cohorted to work in assigned resident areas. All staff are required to wear an appropriate mask and eye protection in the home.

Enhanced cleaning is being done at Jasper Place. We frequently disinfect high touch surfaces like handrails and doors, common areas and staff rooms.

All residents are in isolation. One on one recreation activities will continue, to maintain social engagement during this period of isolation.

We are regularly updating residents, their families and staff on the status of the outbreak. At the direction of Public Health, visits are restricted to designated family/support persons and essential visits for palliative residents.

Residents of Jasper Place who consented to be vaccinated have now received their second does. There are some residents who are waiting to be vaccinated as they had active cases of COVID-19 at the time of the initial vaccination. Vaccinations for staff are ongoing.

We recognize how difficult these measures are for residents and their families. We appreciate the patience and understanding of families as we put these precautions in place for the safety of the residents.

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.

