



**Media Statement – COVID-19 Outbreak at Mount Royal Continuing Care Centre – Calgary
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Alberta Health Services declared an outbreak of COVID-19 at Mount Royal Continuing Care Centre in Calgary on February 15 after one resident tested positive for COVID-19. The resident has unfortunately since passed away. The team at Mount Royal offers its most sincere condolences to the family and friends of the resident who passed away. As of today, there are no other cases of COVID-19 in the home.

We are working very closely with Alberta Health Service officials and are following strict pandemic outbreak protocols and infection control practices.

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 Mount Royal. We frequently disinfect high touch surfaces like handrails and doors, common areas and staff rooms.

At the direction of Public Health, all residents are to remain in their rooms at all times. Individual recreation activities will be continued to maintain social engagement during this period of isolation.

We are informing the residents, their families and the staff of the status of the outbreak. At the direction of Public Health, general visits are cancelled temporarily. Visits from designated family/support person and essential visits for palliative residents will be permitted.

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.

Most Mount Royal residents who consented to and are able to be vaccinated have now received their second dose, the remaining residents will receive their second dose in the coming weeks. Vaccinations for staff are also underway.

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.

