



**Media Statement – Update on Beacon Hill Lodge Long Term Care Home – Winnipeg
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Winnipeg Regional Health Authority (WRHA) declared an outbreak of COVID-19 at Beacon Hill Lodge Personal Care Home in Winnipeg on May 28. WRHA previously reported that four residents and one staff member had tested positive for COVID-19. After review and retesting of swabs, WRHA has rescinded two of the resident cases, reclassifying the original tests as previously recovered cases. As of today, two residents and one staff member are confirmed to have tested positive for COVID-19.

One of the resident cases and the staff member's case have now resolved. We regret to confirm one resident passed away with COVID-19 during the outbreak. The team at Beacon Hill Lodge offers its most sincere condolences to the family and friends of the resident who passed away.

We are working very closely with Public Health officials and are following strict 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 Beacon Hill Lodge Personal Care Home. We frequently disinfect high touch surfaces like handrails and doors, common areas and staff rooms.

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

All Beacon Hill Lodge residents who consented to and are able to be vaccinated have now received both doses. Vaccinations for staff are underway.

We are regularly updating residents, their families and staff on the status of the outbreak. At the direction of WRHA, general visits are cancelled temporarily in the outbreak area, however visits from designated family caregivers and essential visits for palliative residents will be permitted once contact tracing is complete.

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.