

**Media Statement – Update on McKenzie Towne Continuing Care Centre and McKenzie Towne Retirement Residence - Dr. Rhonda Collins, Chief Medical Officer, Revera**

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Alberta's Chief Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Deena Hinshaw, announced the passing of four residents of **McKenzie Towne Continuing Care Centre** with COVID-19 at her briefing today.

We extend our most sincere condolences to the family and friends of the residents who passed away yesterday. A total of eight residents have now passed away of conditions related to COVID-19.

Nine residents returned positive COVID-19 tests today, making the current total of residents with positive tests 52. There are also 36 staff members at home in isolation after testing positive for COVID-19.

We are also announcing an outbreak of COVID-19 at **McKenzie Towne Retirement Residence** today. One resident and one staff member tested positive for COVID-19. The resident is in isolation and the employee is at home in self-isolation.

We know this is a very frightening time for anyone who has a family member living at McKenzie Towne. We are singularly focused on doing everything we can to contain this outbreak. We are working closely with Alberta Health Service's public health experts to implement and comply with their directives, and we are very grateful for the clinical nursing resources and infection control experts they are providing to us.

We are continuing to update residents' families on a regular basis via email and phone, and are prioritizing those who are in isolation or have experienced a change in condition.

While mandatory isolation temporarily reduced our staff levels at McKenzie Towne, they have now stabilized, and we are grateful to the committed team members who continue to come to work under the most challenging circumstances.

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