



# ROCKINGHAM C O U N T Y

## Rehabilitation and Nursing Center

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To: All Staff

From: Donna Roe, DNP, ARNP, BC, CEN

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Alison Kivikoski, Director of Human Resources

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Re: Notice of Workplace Exposure to COVID-19

We have been notified that a couple of our employees have been diagnosed with COVID-19 during the mandatory testing earlier this week. **Those employees who may have had close contact and potential exposure have been notified.** The organization has and will continue to take all precautions in limiting the spread of this disease. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), COVID-19 is thought to spread mainly between people who are in close contact with one another, within about 6 feet for at least ten or fifteen minutes, through respiratory droplets when an infected person coughs or sneezes.

If you experience COVID-19 symptoms, (such as fever, new cough or worsening of a chronic cough, shortness of breath, headache, body aches, extreme fatigue, nasal congestion, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, sudden and complete loss of taste or smell) please do not report to work and notify your supervisor immediately.

Rockingham County continues to take measures to ensure the safety of our employees during this COVID-19 pandemic, including daily screening for all individuals entering the building, disinfecting workspaces, surveillance testing for residents and staff, increased vital sign monitoring of residents, mandatory wearing of facemasks, distant dining, hand sanitizer dispensers, and visitor restrictions.

We are excited to share the great news that Rockingham County will be receiving the first round of Covid-19 vaccines on 12/22/2020. Walgreens will be hosting an onsite walk-in clinic to administer the vaccine between 10 am and 5 pm, in the Hilton Auditorium. This is a two-part vaccine, with the second dose following in three (3) weeks. The vaccine is an important step in protecting yourself and your loved ones, as well as helping to stop the spread of the virus. All employees are encouraged to take part in this initiative. The County providers (doctor, nurse practitioner, clinicians, etc.) are all committed to getting the vaccine.

As always, the hard work you all do every day is greatly appreciated. Your dedication to those entrusted in our care does not go unnoticed.

If you have any questions about this notice, please call Alison Kivikoski, Director of Human Resources, at 679-9365.