



Aspen outbreak update 1 – Wednesday, Nov. 3, 2021

This information is current as of Nov. 3 at 3:24 p.m.

Hello Aspen residents and primary contacts

I'm writing today to let you know Aspen has been declared in another GI (gastrointestinal) outbreak today by Alberta Health Services (AHS).

AHS declares a GI outbreak if two or more residents present with GI symptoms within 48 hours. These symptoms include vomiting and diarrhea.

Four Aspen residents are currently experiencing GI symptoms and they are all isolating for the time being. As some GI symptoms are similar to COVID-19 symptoms, symptomatic residents are being tested for COVID-19 as a precautionary measure. Dependent on the test results, AHS will advise us of next steps.

For now, Active Aging activities that require equipment or common-touch surfaces are postponed. The tuck shop remains open but residents may not enter – they must advise the tuck shop attendant what they would like and that person will help them with the transaction.

The hair salon is open but only one appointment at a time is currently permitted. Additionally, early morning coffee time is cancelled for now.

All COVID-19 protocols remain in place for residents and employees. Cleaning measures are enhanced in common spaces. Residents are reminded to please wear masks when outside of their suites.

We will let you know more when we have results from testing. Thank you for your support and patience.

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