

Beaverdam outbreak update 3 – Tuesday, January 4, 2022

This information is current as of January 4 at 2:17 p.m.

Hello Beaverdam residents and primary contacts,

I'm writing today to provide an update on the outbreak at Beaverdam.

Alberta Health Services advised us this afternoon that Beaverdam is now in Confirmed COVID-19 Outbreak as well as the current GI outbreak.

Current status

Fifteen residents are still isolating with gastrointestinal and/or COVID-19 symptoms. There are now two confirmed resident cases of COVID-19 at Beaverdam. Alberta Health Services is expected to test all residents for COVID-19 on Friday, Jan. 7. Employees are arranging their own testing.

Please note Alberta Health Services is extremely busy testing many Albertans who have displayed COVID-like symptoms. It can take several days to be tested and the wait times for results may be delayed as well.

Updates

- If a resident has an essential medical appointment scheduled, we recommend rescheduling it for now. If a resident must go to a medical appointment, you are required to disclose to the provider the resident is coming from a community in confirmed COVID-19 and GI outbreaks.
- Extra housekeeping services are in place this week to help manage the extra cleaning and sanitizing required. We are continuing to assist the affected residents and asking them to isolate in their suites.
 We are providing meal/tray service and personal care to affected residents.
- Public Health passed Beaverdam during a health inspection that was completed last week. Health inspections are performed any time a community goes into outbreak.

Actions Continuing

- Visits are still permitted with non-isolating residents. Visitors and residents must wear masks for the duration of all visits. Visitors must provide proof of full COVID-19 vaccination before entering community. If this is not possible, please consider virtual visits instead.
- Please remind your loved one to wear their mask as much as possible.
- Please remind residents to wash their hands frequently.

Unless there are significant changes, we will send another update later this week.

If you are a designated primary contact and have questions, you may contact me at tsicotte@silvera.ca.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation, Trent Sicotte, acting Community Manager