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UPDATE TO ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Hello, the PCR result from the staff member on Donegal has been received and is positive. The residents who did have contact will now have a PCR swab done.

There are no changes to the protocols in place at this time. Those residents who had contact will remain on isolation precautions. The other residents do not need to be on isolation precautions or tested.

We have also had a staff member on Galway with a positive rapid test result today. They are now at home awaiting the PCR test result. Their direct contact with residents was limited and only a small number of residents had any exposure although they are not considered a close contact. If the PCR result is positive, these residents will be tested as an extra precaution. There are no isolation precautions required at this time.

Unfortunately, the increasing number of positive cases in the community is reflected in our increased number of cases. Once again, we are very thankful for the ability to do rapid testing as a screening tool and reduce the exposure to residents, staff and designated caregivers.

Each specific case is reviewed starting with contact tracing within the Home and the specific requirements are identified in consultation with public health. Each case will have different precautions based upon this risk assessment.

Be well and stay safe,

Janet Morris
President and CEO