



April 17, 2021

UPDATE TO ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Hello, we have had no further positive rapid test results following those on Saturday.

Here is the status of the various home areas:

Carlow:

Those residents who were in contact with a positive case are on isolation precautions and all of them have had a one negative PCR test. These residents will be tested again today.

Donegal:

Those residents who were in contact with a positive case are on isolation precautions and all of them have had a one PCR test. We are waiting for some of these results, but those received have been negative. These residents will be tested again on Friday April 23rd.

Galway:

The PCR result is positive for the staff member who had the positive rapid test on Saturday. Their contact with residents was limited and those residents who had any exposure are not considered a close contact. These residents will be tested as an extra precaution today and retested again on Friday April 23rd. There are no isolation precautions for residents on Galway.

If there is a positive case of a sitter or designated caregiver who interacts with only one resident then testing and isolation precautions will be applicable to that one person. The substitute decision maker in that situation will be informed of the positive test result and the requirements.

Those residents who have not had close contact with a positive case are not required to be in isolation and can leave their rooms for meals, attend Mass and the hairdresser and can go outside for walks.

Each individual positive case is reviewed to determine the necessary precautions and these will vary depending on the specific circumstances and the level of contact. Thankfully this risk assessment limits the impact on all of the residents and staff in the home.

Be safe and well,

Janet Morris

President and CEO