



South Dakota Department of Veterans Affairs

Michael J. Fitzmaurice South Dakota Veterans Home

09/23/2022 Dear Resident, Resident Representative and Staff

We are writing to inform you of our current cases of COVID at SVH:

Current positive cases in staff (1)

Current positive cases in residents (0)

Staff are being tested twice a week.

There are no requirements to test residents at this time, unless they are having signs & symptoms of illness.

Our response is based on current state and federal guidance. Due to the circumstances of the positive test result and there being NO exposure to the facility, **we are NOT in Outbreak Status.**

Visitation continues as per current visitation guidelines.

Core principles of infection prevention that are posted throughout the facility are of utmost importance and **we highly encourage all residents to wear masks when out of their rooms.**

Resident outings continue, please alert the nurse if you have a known exposure to COVID, the county transmission rate is high, so please know that risk is increased currently for covid exposures on outings.

If you have any questions regarding your loved one's care, please call their Resident Care Coordinator at 605-745-5127 extension:

Nasa and Stars & Stripes – Natalie Hooper –1500229	Veterans Lane & Old Glory – Natalie Hooper – 1500229
Custer and Joe Foss – Natalie Hooper –1500229	South Pacific and JASCO – Natalie Hooper – 1500229

We continue to follow all precautions based on state and federal guidelines as well as CDC and DOH recommendations to ensure the safety of our residents and staff. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, you can call 605-745-5127 ext.1500116.

Sincerely, SVH Leadership Team

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For most current COVID status updates for SVH please call 605-745-5127 and press option 9