Heritage Specialty Care in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, learned today four residents have tested positive for Covid-19 (Coronavirus). Specific details of resident conditions are not available at this time. Upon learning of the test results we immediately isolated the affected residents from the rest of the resident population and they will remain segregated for at least 14 days.

We have been communicating with the Iowa Department of Public Health about today’s findings and are following their recommendations for resident care and Covid-19 infection control. The IDPH recommends we continue our enhanced infection control and medical screening of all residents, which has been in effect since Tuesday when two staff members tested positive for Covid-19. Residents are being screened two times per day for fever and respiratory illness. For more than two weeks employees have been screened for fever and respiratory illness upon entering the building and no visitors have been allowed. We discontinued communal dining and activities last week.

Staff, residents and family members are being notified by Heritage administration of this latest development.

We have taken every precaution to protect our residents throughout the heightened Covid-19 awareness period. We continue to implement recommended infection control procedures to remain vigilant against further exposure.

Family members of residents are welcome to contact us at 319-396-7171 with questions.

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