



**WAPELLO SPECIALTY CARE STATEMENT
MAY 15, 2020**

UPDATE: Wapello Specialty Care has learned we have 10 residents testing positive for COVID-19, and a total of 12 employees testing positive. Due to privacy regulations, we aren't able to share more information about these residents or employees. The health and safety of our residents and employees is our top priority. We continue to follow CDC and Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) infection control guidelines. This includes separating our positive-testing residents from other residents, requiring positive employees to not come into work, and utilizing proper PPE throughout the building. We have been in communication with the Louisa County Health Department and IDPH regarding this new development.

We notified our staff, residents and family members today to update them on the new information. We have been and will continue to screen all staff at the beginning and end of their shift for signs and symptoms of COVID-19. We also monitor our residents' vitals and temperature at least twice per day to assess their health and well-being.

To monitor updates for any changes in COVID positive numbers, we refer you to the IDPH's COVID-19 website at www.coronavirus.iowa.gov.

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