



MEMORANDUM

TO: DCF All Staff
FROM: CT DCF Commissioner Vanessa Dorantes
DATE: March 26, 2020
SUBJECT: COVID-19 Positive Test of DCF Employee - Solnit North Facility

We have received confirmation, and been given permission to share with you, that an employee in the Department of Children and Families Solnit North facility has tested positive for COVID-19.

This week, we have notified you of two other employees that have tested positive in order to ensure we are transparent with our planning and response. The transmission of this virus is being monitored daily. We ask that you keep this member of our DCF family in your thoughts.

We recognize there is much misinformation regarding the COVID-19 pandemic. We have been following a specific Department of Public Health protocol regarding exposure, transmission and contact. They are in regular contact with the Centers for Disease Control and stay informed with the latest and most accurate information.

Solnit North sanitizes and disinfects its cottages daily and all staff who had prolonged and direct contact with this staff member have already been notified.

We are continuing to maximize our telework capacity minimizing the need to conduct work in a regional office, central office or facility.

Please continue to maintain social distancing rules, wash your hands often for at least 20 seconds, and cough/sneeze into your elbow.

Please stay home if you do not feel well and contact your health care provider if symptoms persist.