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The Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) Healthcare Center currently has no COVID-19 positive Veteran Patients and there have been no new COVID-19 cases in the DVA Residential Program during the previous five days. There are currently five Veteran Residents who are COVID-19 positive and being cared for in our Isolation Unit at our Rocky Hill Campus. This afternoon two Veteran Residents were released from the Isolation Unit after testing negative for COVID-19. Three Veteran Residents are currently being treated for COVID-19 related complications in community based hospitals and two Veteran Residents, who recovered from COVID-19 in a community hospital, remain in physical therapy/rehabilitation programs.

To date, no DVA staff members have tested positive for COVID-19. The DVA continues rigorous daily screenings of all Veterans and Staff for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 including temperature checks. DVA Staff continue to follow the DVA Enhanced Safety and Health COVID-19 Protocols which are reviewed daily and adjusted based on CDC and Public Health updated directives, guidance and best practices.

The COVID-19 Health and Safety protocols are available, along with other important information, at: <https://portal.ct.gov/DVA/Pages/DVA-COVID-19-Updates>.

While Connecticut and other States in the region are planning the gradual reopening of the economy, we must remain vigilant as this health emergency is not over. Please continue to follow CDC and Public Health guidelines on social distancing, hygiene and monitor your health and that of family, friends and co-workers.