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## COVID-19 Agency Update April 4, 2020

The Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) Residential Program currently has two Veteran Residents who are COVID-19 positive and are being cared for in our Isolation Unit at our Rocky Hill Campus. Five other Veteran Residents are in the Isolation Unit because they either had COVID-19 symptoms or had contact with a COVID-19 positive Veteran. We are awaiting COVID-19 test results for these five Veterans. DVA staff are following all COVID-19 positive reporting requirements. Two other DVA Veterans are currently in a community based hospital being treated for COVID-19.

DVA Residential and Healthcare 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.

All off campus travel by Veteran Residents remains suspended until further notice based on increased community spread of the virus. This restriction is subject to daily review and the DVA is making accommodations to provide personal hygiene and other necessities to our Veterans who would normally obtain these items at local stores.

The complete DVA COVID-19 protocols and other important information is at: https://portal.ct.gov/DVA/Pages/Commissioner-Saadi-COVID-19-Daily-Update