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The Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) Residential Program currently has three Veteran Residents who are COVID-19 positive and are being cared for in our Isolation Units at our Rocky Hill Campus. Five other Veteran Residents are in Isolation 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 Veterans. Two other DVA Veterans are currently in a community based hospital being treated for COVID-19. DVA is following all COVID-19 reporting requirements.

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 except for a DVA supervised bus trip for Veterans to purchase personal essential items, all Veterans are required to wear proper PPE and the bus is cleaned between each trip. This limited essential travel procedure is subject to daily review.

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