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COVID-19 Agency Update April 8, 2020

The Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) Residential Program currently has four Veteran Residents who are COVID-19 positive and are being cared for in our Isolation Units at our Rocky Hill Campus. Seven other Veteran Residents are in various categories of isolation because they either presented with COVID-19 symptoms or were identified through contact tracing to have had contact with a COVID-19 positive Veteran. Five of these Veterans recently tested negative for COVID-19 and will be released from isolation after an additional waiting period. We are awaiting COVID-19 test results for two other Veterans.

Two DVA Veterans are currently in community based hospitals being treated for COVID-19. DVA is following all COVID-19 reporting requirements. Three Veterans, who tested negative for COVID-19, were released from isolation today consistent with CDC and CT DPH guidance.

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. All off campus travel by Veteran Residents remains suspended, except for humanitarian, medical or essential work reasons.

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