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COVID-19 Update: Positive Case

We regret to report that Bayview has experienced a positive COVID-19 case. Here is what we know:

- A Health Center employee tested positive for COVID-19.
- The employee has not been in the facility since April 8th, 2021.
- Health Center residents, staff, and other employees associated with the Health Center will be immediately tested to determine the extent of exposure potential.
- Health Center staff and residents are on enhanced screening protocols for the next 14-days.
- Increased sanitation efforts have been reinstated throughout the facility as an extra precaution.
- Contact tracing is being conducted by the King County Department of Health alongside Bayview.
- This positive case brings our total staff cases to eight (8) since the start of the pandemic, March 2020.
- This information came to light this morning and we are working hard to get communication out to everyone. Aside from the Health Center, we are not changing any protocols currently in place.

This exposure comes as a stark reminder of the prevalence of COVID-19 in King County. **The current rate of exposure is 198.2 cases for every 100,000 people in King County, which is the highest this rate has been since December 2020.**

The pandemic is not over and even with vaccination, breakthrough infections are actively occurring. As we reported in yesterday's memo, we must all remain vigilant, honoring the core principles of infection control – Universal Source Control (face mask usage), Hand Hygiene, and Social Distancing.

Should the leadership team make any changes to our current restrictions and protocols, we will let you know right away. Future memos will detail specific information of what is to come. If you have any further questions or concern, please contact me at 3357 at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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