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COVID-19 Outbreak Identified at Peak Resources Pinelake

The Moore County Health Department has been notified of confirmed positive COVID-19 test results for a total of seven staff members and five residents of Peak Resources Pinelake (801 Pinehurst Ave, Carthage). In long-term care or congregate living settings, a COVID-19 outbreak is defined as two or more laboratory-confirmed cases. This is the second COVID-19 outbreak for Peak Resources Pinelake. The facility's first outbreak ended on September 2nd.

Following the end of Peak Resources Pinelake's initial outbreak, two residents of the facility tested positive for COVID-19. The two cases were singular and had no epidemiological linkage. One resident was reported positive on September 6th. The other, a new admission, was reported on September 11th.

Mandated bi-weekly testing of the facility's staff conducted on September 17th generated positive results for four staff members, which brought about the latest outbreak designation for the facility. This, in turn, prompted weekly testing for all residents and staff of the facility beginning the following week. Facility-wide testing conducted on September 21st generated additional positive test results for three staff members and three residents. Weekly testing for all residents and staff of Peak Resources Pinelake will continue until the conclusion of the outbreak. An outbreak is considered concluded if there is no evidence of transmission following a 28-day period.

Bi-weekly COVID-19 testing for all nursing home staff was mandated by Secretarial Order #2 beginning August 7th. A copy of the Order can be found here: <https://files.nc.gov/covid/documents/Secretarial-Order-2-Mandatory-Testing-for-Staff-in-Nursing-Homes.pdf>.

With the addition of Peak Resources Pinelake, Moore County's cumulative total of COVID-19 outbreaks in long-term care and congregate living settings is now eleven since the pandemic began. Of the eleven total outbreaks Moore County has experienced, four have been declared concluded (Pinehurst Healthcare & Rehabilitation Center, Fox Hollow, Seven Lakes Assisted Living and Memory Care, and Peak Resources Pinelake).

You can find more detailed information regarding ongoing COVID-19 outbreaks in long-term care & congregate living facilities in Moore and other NC Counties by accessing a report published by the North Carolina Department of Health

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and Human Services (NCDHHS) at <https://files.nc.gov/covid/documents/dashboard/Weekly-COVID19-Ongoing-Outbreaks.pdf>.

In total, there have been 1,601 confirmed COVID-19 cases in Moore County to date. To protect privacy, no further information about the individuals who have tested positive will be shared by the Health Department.

Moore County's Coronavirus (COVID-19) Dashboard can be found here:

<https://moorecounty.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/4c11e5bf79b64a6e9c8377d5129cc97c>

For more information about coronavirus and Moore County's response, please visit www.moorecountync.gov/health, find us on Facebook, and follow us on Twitter (@mocohealth).

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