Iroquois Lodge Implements Outbreak Protocol as Precautionary Measure

On February 24, 2021, Ohsweken Public Health notified the Iroquois Lodge that two of its staff members tested positive for COVID-19.

The positive test results were discovered as a result of the Iroquois Lodge’s surveillance testing safeguard measure that has been in place since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.

To keep residents and staff member’s safe, numerous heightened safety measures have been implemented at the Iroquois Lodge. The staff members have been directed by Ohsweken Public Health to self-isolate while confirmation testing is completed to identify whether or not an official outbreak must be reported to the Ministry of Long Term Care.

Staff Members of Iroquois Lodge have reached out to resident family members to notify them of the outbreak protocol.

Six Nations of the Grand River Elected Council is urging the community to continue to follow health and safety guidelines to prevent any further spread of COVID-19 within the territory. This includes staying home as much as possible, practicing social distancing, wearing a mask, frequent hand washing, and avoiding large gatherings.

It is also strongly encouraged that community members get tested for COVID-19 if they are experiencing symptoms or think they may have been exposed to the virus. It is possible to contract the virus and not have any symptoms while still being contagious.

To book a COVID-19 test at the assessment center, please visit www.sixnationsCOVID19.ca or call 1-855-977-7737 or locally at 226-446-9909.

We must all remain diligent and do our part to slow the spread of this virus. Members are reminded to draw on the strength of our ancestors and our traditional medicines to continue this fight. We must all work together to protect one another, especially our Elders, knowledge keepers, and the most vulnerable within the community.

Six Nations of the Grand River Elected Council continues to send their thoughts and good medicine to our healthcare workers and those impacted by COVID-19 and their families.

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