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Interior Health declares outbreak over at McKinney Place in Oliver

OLIVER – Interior Health has declared the COVID-19 outbreak over at McKinney Place long-term care in Oliver.

“I want to thank our staff for their commitment and dedication during this challenging outbreak at McKinney Place long-term care,” said Susan Brown, Interior Health president and CEO. “Everyone stepped up to ensure the people living at McKinney Place received the best possible care, and on behalf of everyone at Interior Health, we send our condolences to the families who lost a loved one during this difficult time.”

An outbreak is declared over when two incubation periods, or 28 days, have passed from the last onset of symptoms in a resident.

“This has been one of our most challenging outbreaks so far and I’m happy to see this outbreak declared over,” said Dr. Albert de Villiers, chief medical health officer. “As the vaccination roll-out continues across Interior Health, I am hopeful we will see fewer outbreaks in our long-term care facilities.”

All eligible residents and staff at McKinney Place have been offered their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccination.

There were 78 COVID-19 cases linked to this outbreak: 55 residents and 23 staff. Sadly, 17 residents passed away due to their illness.

Interior Health has frequently updated COVID-19 information on our public website www.interiorhealth.ca

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