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Mills County Confirms Outbreak in a Long-Term Care Center

The Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) and Mills County Public Health have identified six cases of COVID-19 at Glen Haven Village, a long-term care facility in Mills County. This includes four residents, and two staff members. According to IDPH, an outbreak occurs when three or more cases of COVID-19 are identified among residents of a facility.

The facility has notified residents and their families, and consistent with IDPH guidelines, the affected residents are in isolation. Glen Haven staff are working closely with IDPH and Mills County Public Health to protect the health of all residents and staff, with additional testing of residents and staff as directed by IDPH.

"Protecting the health and wellbeing of the residents and staff is of the highest priority," said Mills County Public Health Director Julie Lynes. "We know our older population is at the highest risk for serious COVID-19 illness, so we are monitoring the situation carefully and taking the highest precautions to prevent virus spread."

As of today, 09/09/2020, there are 144 total cases of COVID-19 in Mills County. The Mills County Health Department continues to work closely with the Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH), and other state and local partners to respond to this ongoing pandemic.

For up-to-date information on COVID-19, including an interactive map with county, regional and long-term care outbreak information, visit https://idph.iowa.gov/Emerging-Health-Issues/Novel-Coronavirus. Or visit the Mills County Coronavirus webpage at http://covid19.millscoia.us