July 22, 2021

**TO:** All Brownstone Residents

FROM: Rita Cziglenyi, Community Corrections Supervisor Rita Cziglenyi

**SUBJECT:** COVID-19 Update for Brownstone Work Training Release

As of July 15, 2021, Brownstone Work Training Release has been placed on quarantine status based on the WA State DOC COVID-19 Screening, Testing and infection Control Guidelines and we are following the WA State DOC Work/Training Release COVID-19 Outbreak Checklist. There have been three (2) confirmed Resident cases of COVID-19 and those individuals have been temporarily placed in a medical isolation unit offsite. There has been one (1) confirmed staff case of COVID-19 and they are self-isolating. To mitigate the spread of COVID-19 at Brownstone, we are following appropriate protocols to increase sanitation efforts, screening and serial testing to quickly identify others who may have been exposed and limiting the movement among residents to help eliminate any exposure.

All PCR tests collected on Monday, July 19, 2021 for residents/staff have been processed and are negative. We are awaiting 12 test results for staff who have completed testing today.

The facility is implementing a structured response to ensure essential activities continue, such as laundry, meals, showers, recreation, communication and releases/transfers/intakes. Your health and safety continue to be our priority. All medical directives are in accordance with <u>Washington State</u> <u>Department of Health</u> and <u>Centers for Disease Control</u> Guidelines.

Residents have access to cell phones to increase communications with staff, friends and family. It is important that you report any symptoms to staff as soon as you become aware. Ensure you follow the quarantine protocols by wearing your surgical mask at all times, disinfect anything that you touch and wash your hands immediately after touching a surface. Please do not stop at other residents' rooms.

It is imperative to make sure you are wearing your appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), as well as social distancing at all times. This is especially important when residents are going to and from the bathrooms and showers. Please be diligent in following proper protocols and put on your mask <u>prior</u> to opening your door.

Remain six (6) feet apart when moving to the recreation area and ensure that your mask is on and that chairs remain properly social distanced. You must clean your chair at the end of your recreation time. Call staff if there is a need to leave your room outside of your scheduled cohort time.

We appreciate your continued patience. We are working hard to ensure you have resources to address any emotional distress during this time. There are activity packets, craft supplies and games to help pass the time. Additionally, room and board waivers are being reinstated during this outbreak to alleviate concerns of incurring debt due to COVID-19 restrictions. We have stationery

and envelopes to help you reach out to your family, friends and others who have been a positive support to you. Brownstone will pay for your postage at this time.

I want to thank you for your hard work and dedication during this very difficult time. It is important to remain strong, support one another, and be kind. Please do your part to stay healthy.

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