



Caring for you,
wherever you
call home

Weekly Newsletter

HIT!

Maybe they didn't bring home the trophy – but they definitely played with heart!

Good game, LB Homes Team!



Testing Information

Please call Dawn Bratlien at 218.998.7313, with any questions or concerns. Yellow indicates outbreak status. Testing is mandatory for vaccinated and unvaccinated staff members while in outbreak status.

LB BROEN HOME: We are now testing all individuals who are not up to date with their vaccinations twice a week.

Individuals who are up to date with vaccinations do not need to test. **If you are eligible for a booster and have not received it, you will need to test just as though you are unvaccinated according to the CDC, as you are not considered “up to date” on all the recommended vaccines.**

You are eligible for a booster after 5 months have passed from the second dose for the Pfizer or Moderna or 2 months after the Janssen, you are considered up to date until you become eligible for the booster.

If you have had COVID within the past 90 days, you do not need to be tested unless you have symptoms.

LB Broen Home			
*If you are experiencing symptoms, call 218.998.7336, someone will come to your car to test you. *			
Who	COVID-19 Testing	When	Where
LB Broen Home Staff (including non-Broen staff who enter LB Broen for work)	Mandatory for unvaccinated staff members & staff members who are booster eligible & have not yet received the booster.	Twice weekly 7:00 am – 9:00 am Monday, April 25 th Thursday, April 28 th	1 South Desk Broen
LB Broen Home Residents	Mandatory for those who leave the facility regularly, strongly encouraged for unvaccinated residents	Twice weekly 7:00 am – 9:00 am Monday, April 25 th Thursday, April 28 th	Staff will assist
LB Broen Essential Caregivers	Recommended, but not required	Twice weekly 7:00 am – 9:00 am Monday, April 25 th Thursday, April 28 th	1 South Desk Broen

LB Woodland Lodge & LB Alcott Manor

As of Monday, April 25th, LB Woodland Lodge and LB Alcott Manor staff will NOT be routinely tested.

The guidance requires testing in the following circumstances:

- Testing of people with symptoms of COVID-19 even when those symptoms are very mild,
- Testing of people who have close contact or higher-risk exposure with someone with COVID-19, regardless of vaccination status.
- Outbreak testing in response to a new case of COVID-19 in a resident or staff member in the facility.
- Testing new admissions and residents who have been out of the facility for more than 24 hours.

Please watch for any updates via newsletter or robo-calls.

LB Home Care & LB Bereavement

*If you are experiencing symptoms, call 218.998.1414, someone will come to your car to test you. *

Who	COVID-19 Testing	When	Where
LB Home Care & Bereavement Staff	Mandatory for unvaccinated staff members & staff members who are booster eligible & have not yet received the booster.	Once weekly 8:00 am – 9:00 am Monday, April 18 th *If needed, Thursday, April 21 st call to arrange.	Westside Conference Room

Current Visitation Information

When a facility is in outbreak status, it places all who enter our facility at a higher risk of contracting COVID-19. Please find outbreak status under “General Visitation Information” in following table. We continue our mitigation efforts which include screening for symptoms upon entering an LB facility, wearing of masks appropriately, frequent hand-hygiene and 6-foot distancing as appropriate. Staff and Essential Caregivers should also wear eye protection appropriately. Even with mitigation efforts, all visitors should be aware that they are at a higher risk of contracting COVID-19 in Long Term Care Facilities.

We are open to all visitors. Visitors will need to screen prior to visiting. Visitors who have symptoms of COVID-19, have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, or who have a current COVID-19 positive test should not visit. Because Otter Tail County is at a High Community Transmission, all visitors will need to wear masks at all times while in the facility, practice 6-foot distancing, and perform frequent hand-hygiene.

Scheduling Visitation:

Thank you for your continued support and diligence as we navigate these guidelines provided by the Minnesota Department of Health. If you would like to schedule a video visit or window visit with your loved one, please contact Aaron Hanson at 218-998-7333 or Aaron.Hanson@lbhomes.org.

***Outbreak procedures are always initiated with the notice of just one COVID-19 positive staff member. ***

Facility	General Visitation Information
LB Broen Home	Open to all visitation.
LB Alcott Manor	Open to all visitation.
LB Woodland Lodge	Open to all visitation. Currently in outbreak.

LB Homes Cumulative COVID-19 Operations Report (Thursday – Wednesday)

Entity	Cumulative number of staff and residents and Essential Caregivers (EC) 5/8/2020 – 4/6/22
LB Broen Home	101 total (4 residents and 21 staff/EC in 2022) (10 residents and 31 staff/EC in 2021) (6 residents and 29 staff/EC in 2020)
LB Alcott Manor	15 (1 resident and 3 staff/EC in 2022) (1 resident in 2020) (1 resident and 9 staff/EC in 2021)
LB Woodland Lodge	15 (5 staff/EC in 2022) (4 staff/EC in 2021) (6 staff/EC in 2020)

***Please note: There has been an update to the Cumulative COVID-19 Operations Report. It is now shortened to include cumulative positives per facility since 5/8/2020. Numbers were previously listed in the report as weekly results. ***

If you did not receive your vaccine and would like to, contact please contact Dawn Bratlien at 218.998.7313 or check out the resources found here: [COVID-19 Vaccine | Otter Tail County, MN \(ottertailcountymn.us\)](https://ottertailcountymn.us).

Please watch emails and listen to phone messages for updates regarding testing requirements.

Thank you for your continued efforts and commitment to help our residents, patients, and staff stay safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.