than 40 positive staff and resident cases reported four days previous.

"We are very pleased to be heading in the right direction with this outbreak as active cases resolve," said Oakley.

Caressant Care's retirement and long-term care site on Mary Street, where two staff members working in the retirement side had tested positive for the virus, was declared out of outbreak on Wednesday (Jan. 27).

The nursing home continues to receive assistance and support from the Ross Memorial Hospital, Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit and Central East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) to stay on top of housekeeping, infection control measures, and, where necessary, provide direct resident care.

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All residents' families continue to be updated and are encouraged, where possible, to continue to stay in contact with loved ones either by phone or virtually as visitors are not permitted unless an individual becomes palliative. In such cases, only one essential visitor is permitted at a time and they must abide by safety protocols.

Plans are in place to vaccinate long-term care residents at Mary Street on Friday (Jan. 29) with the same taking place at McLaughlin Road in early February.

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