



Quarantine is over, effective immediately

TILTON, March 12 – With the first day of spring a little over a week away, residents of the New Hampshire Veterans Home are getting back to normal activities with the lifting of a month-long quarantine in the wake of a norovirus outbreak.

The facility is now fully open, Commandant Margaret LaBrecque announced Monday, and all family, friends and service organizations will be able to visit the Home's 200 residents. Recreational activities and outside trips, which had been severely curtailed by a month of precautions, are back on a regular schedule, just in time for the Home's annual St. Patrick's Day celebration this coming weekend, and the intergenerational Easter Egg Hunt & Ice Cream Social for families and staff on March 24.

In consultation with the New Hampshire Division of Public Health, all visiting was shut down on Feb. 9 to stop the spread of the intestinal ailment. Some limited visiting to severely ill residents and those in hospice-type was allowed on a case-by-case basis.

Contact NHVH Program Information Officer Len Stuart at number below for additional information.