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Our second COVID positive staff member

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To: All Staff <staff@dglibrary.org>
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Good morning all,

I am sorry to report that we had our second staff person test positive for COVID. Their last shift was Friday, 3/26, working in Circulation. Over that weekend, the individual received information of a direct exposure in a non-work setting and immediately informed their supervisor. They were instructed to quarantine for 14 days, per our policy. On Friday, 4/2, they informed their supervisor of their own positive test.

Upon learning of the positive test, Administration called the Illinois Department of Public Health hotline for guidance. Because the staff member had not been in the library since 3/26, closing for cleaning was not advised. We were advised to inform all staff who were in contact with this person for more than 15 minutes cumulative time and have those individuals quarantine for 14 days from the date of exposure while monitoring for symptoms. If they have symptoms, they should contact their own health professional and get tested.

All staff that were in direct contact with this person have been notified and will be quarantining for 14 days from the date of exposure (3/26).

We understand that many staff will be concerned about their own health and possible exposure to COVID. Please respect the privacy and personal health information of the individuals involved in this situation. With a workplace of over 100 people serving the public, having only 2 staff test positive for COVID in nearly 13 months is a testament to the efficacy of the health and safety measures we have in place. We will continue to take these precautions to serve the community as safely as possible.

Bcc: Board of Library Trustees

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