

## **Protecting our Seniors – June 19, 2020**

We know that long-term care facilities are particularly vulnerable to outbreaks, given the age of the residents, the likelihood of underlying health conditions, and close proximity between residents.

So the state is glad to report that Columbine Health Systems -- which had the first long-term care facility to experience an outbreak in Colorado -- now has zero positive tests and zero residents with symptoms.

The Governor thanks everyone who has been involved with the effort to respond to outbreaks in long-term care facilities -- CO National Guard, CDPHE, Colorado State University, and other partners. The extraordinary steps we are taking to protect older Coloradans and those with underlying health conditions are working, and we must continue to protect these vulnerable populations during this pandemic.