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Update to the August 6, 2018 Notice

The Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs is required to provide updates to the notification that Pneumonia has been diagnosed in our facility pursuant to Public Act 100-0632 which was signed into law on July 27, 2018.

On August 6, 2018, two (2) cases of pneumonia were identified among the residents at the Illinois Veterans Home at Manteno. On August 23, 2018 an additional three (3) cases were identified. These cases of pneumonia are not clustered in the same location. The Veterans who have been diagnosed with pneumonia are receiving treatment and remain at our facility.

It should be noted that respiratory illness is common in communal living settings and that not all pneumonia is caused by a communicable disease. Our Veteran residents' health and comfort are important to us and we are treating these instances with appropriate medication and comprehensive care.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth DeLong MSN, RN, Manteno Veterans Home Director of Nursing Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs