

## **OUTBREAK STATUS REPORT**

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### **Active**

| Respiratory Respiratory | Dec 23, 2020  | Facility  |  | 001/15 10  |  |   |
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| Respiratory             | <b>-</b>  |   |  | COVID-19   |  |   |
|                         | Dec 22, 2020  | Westminster, Byron, Pondmills   |  | COVID-19   |  |   |
| Respiratory             | Dec 22, 2020  | SM1, SM2, SM3, MV4  |  | COVID-19   |  |   |
| Respiratory             | Dec 20, 2020  | Apple Blossom   |  | COVID-19   |  |   |
| Respiratory             | Dec 20, 2020  | Care Centre - East and North Hall   |  | COVID-19   |  |   |
| Respiratory             | Dec 20, 2020  | Juniper, Sugar Maple, White Pine,<br>Norway Spruce  |  | COVID-19   |  |   |
| Respiratory             | Dec 19, 2020  | U7-Clinical Neurosciences   |  | COVID-19   |  |   |
| Respiratory             | Dec 18, 2020  | Facility  |  | COVID-19   |  |   |
| Respiratory             | Dec 16, 2020  | Facility  |  | COVID-19   |  |   |
| Respiratory             | Dec 15, 2020  | C5-100  |  | COVID-19   |  |   |
| Respiratory             | Dec 8, 2020   | Woodcrest   |  | COVID-19   |  |   |
| Respiratory             | Nov 24, 2020  | 10IP Palliative Care/Sub-Acute Medicine   |  | COVID-19   |  |   |
| Respiratory             | Nov 10, 2020  | U4 Medicine   |  | COVID-19   |  |   |
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### **Declared Over**

| Premise                   | Type of Outbreak | Date Declared | Affected Area(s)           | Date Resolved | Pathogen 1 | Pathogen 2 | Pathogen 3 |
|---------------------------|------------------|---------------|----------------------------|---------------|------------|------------|------------|
| LHSC- Victoria Hospital   | Respiratory      | Dec 16, 2020  | C6-400 Acute Medicine      | Dec 24, 2020  | COVID-19   |            |            |
| LHSC- University Hospital | Respiratory      | Dec 5, 2020   | U5-Cardiology              | Dec 24, 2020  | COVID-19   |            |            |
| Chelsey Park              | Respiratory      | Dec 10, 2020  | Long Term Care - 2nd Floor | Dec 23, 2020  | COVID-19   |            |            |
| McCormick Home            | Respiratory      | Dec 8, 2020   | Evergreen Walk             | Dec 23, 2020  | COVID-19   |            |            |
| LHSC- University Hospital | Respiratory      | Dec 5, 2020   | 6th Floor Cardiac Offices  | Dec 21, 2020  | COVID-19   |            |            |

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| LHSC- University Hospital | Respiratory      | Nov 24, 2020  | 9IP Sub-Acute Medicine             | Dec 21, 2020  | COVID-19   |            |            |
| LHSC- University Hospital | Respiratory      | Nov 24, 2020  | 6IP Acute/Decant Medicine          | Dec 21, 2020  | COVID-19   |            |            |
| LHSC- University Hospital | Respiratory      | Dec 11, 2020  | 10th Floor Epilepsy Monitoring Uni | Dec 18, 2020  | COVID-19   |            |            |

This information is to be used as a guide and is intended to help you prevent infections and outbreaks in your facility. The decision regarding who can work at a facility rests with that facility, but should take into account the need for adequate staffing levels and the risk of infection from staff working at multiple facilities. For more information please visit <a href="https://www.healthunit.com/outbreak-resources">https://www.healthunit.com/outbreak-resources</a>

#### **Enteric Outbreaks**

- Staff members/volunteers from facilities in outbreak should not work at your facility until at least 48 hours have elapsed since they last worked at the affected facility. This period can be modified if the causative agent is known.
- Staff members/volunteers who are experiencing gastrointestinal illness should not work at any facility until they have been symptom-free for at least 48 hours. Good hand hygiene should be reinforced with returning staff members/volunteers.
- Staff should change to a clean uniform between facilities and before leaving the affected facility.
   (Source Control of Gastroenteritis Outbreaks in Long-Term Care Homes: A Guide for Long-Term Care Homes and Public Health Unit Staff, 2013). <a href="https://www.healthunit.com/outbreak-resources">https://www.healthunit.com/outbreak-resources</a>

### Clostridium difficile Outbreaks

• Provided that all required infection control practices are in place, staff can work at both affected and unaffected facilities without restrictions. Residents/patients with suspected or confirmed *Clostridium difficile*-associated diarrhea (CDAD) can be transferred within the health care system; however, the receiving facility must be notified and be able to comply with the recommended infection control precautions. *Clostridium difficile* is suspected in a resident/patient who develops diarrhea and has been in a facility experiencing a *Clostridium difficile* outbreak. Initiate Isolation rapidly and stool samples should be collected. (Source: Annex C: Testing, Surveillance and Management of Clostridium difficile In All Health Care Settings, January 2013). https://www.healthunit.com/outbreak-resources

### **Respiratory Outbreaks (non-influenza)**

• Staff members/volunteers from facilities in outbreak should not work at your facility until at least 72 hours have elapsed since they last worked at the affected facility. For outbreaks attributable to Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV), Parainfluenza virus, Human metapneumovirus, and Adenovirus consider lengthening this time period to 5 days.

Staff members/volunteers who are experiencing respiratory symptoms should not work at any facility until 5 days from onset of symptoms or until symptoms have resolved. For outbreaks attributable to RSV, lengthen this time period to 8 days. Good hand hygiene should be reinforced with returning staff members/volunteers. (Source: A Guide to the Control of Respiratory Infection Outbreak in Long-Term Care Homes, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, November, 2015). <a href="http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/publichealth/flu/docs/resp\_infectn\_ctrl\_guide\_ltc\_2015\_en.pdf">http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/publichealth/flu/docs/resp\_infectn\_ctrl\_guide\_ltc\_2015\_en.pdf</a>

#### Influenza Outbreaks

- The Health Unit recommends that you ask non-immunized staff/volunteers who are from facilities in outbreak, and who are not on an appropriate antiviral drug, to refrain from working at your facility until it has been at least 72 hours since they last worked at the affected facility.
- Staff members/volunteers who are experiencing respiratory/ influenza symptoms should not work at any facility until 5 days from onset of symptoms or until symptoms have resolved, whichever time period is shorter. Good hand hygiene should be reinforced with returning staff members/volunteers.

  (Source: A Guide to the Control of Respiratory Infection Outbreak in Long-Term Care Homes, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, November, 2015). http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/publichealth/flu/docs/resp\_infectn\_ctrl\_guide\_ltc\_2015\_en.pdf