

# **OUTBREAK STATUS REPORT**

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Middlesex-London Health Unit

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### Active

Type of Outbreak	Date Declared	Affected Area(s)	Date Resolved	Pathogen 1	Pathogen 2	Pathogen 3
Respiratory	Aug 23, 2022	Maple Unit		COVID-19		
Respiratory	Aug 23, 2022	U5 Cardiology		COVID-19		
Respiratory	Aug 22, 2022	U6 CVT Cardiac Surgery		COVID-19		
Respiratory	Aug 22, 2022	4th Floor		COVID-19		
Respiratory	Aug 21, 2022	3rd Floor		COVID-19		
Respiratory	Aug 20, 2022	MV4		COVID-19		
Respiratory	Aug 19, 2022	3rd Avenue, 4th avenue		COVID-19		
Respiratory	Aug 17, 2022	East Park		COVID-19		
Respiratory	Aug 15, 2022	C4 Transplant Unit		COVID-19		
Respiratory	Aug 15, 2022	3W, 2W, 3E		COVID-19		
Respiratory	Aug 11, 2022	U4 Medicine		COVID-19		
Respiratory	Aug 10, 2022	4th and 6th floors		COVID-19		
Respiratory	Aug 9, 2022	Facility-wide		COVID-19		
Respiratory	Aug 4, 2022	Facility-wide		COVID-19		
Respiratory	Aug 3, 2022	Facility wide		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
Parkwood Institute Main Building	Respiratory	Aug 15, 2022	5B South	Aug 26, 2022	COVID-19		
Arbor Trace Alzheimer's Special Care Center	Respiratory	Aug 15, 2022	Facility Wide	Aug 26, 2022	COVID-19		
LHSC- University Hospital	Respiratory	Aug 12, 2022	U7 Clinical Neurosciences	Aug 25, 2022	COVID-19		

# **Declared Over**

Premise	Type of Outbreak	Date Declared	Affected Area(s)	Date Resolved	Pathogen 1	Pathogen 2	Pathogen 3
Chartwell Royalcliffe Retirement Residence	Respiratory	Aug 8, 2022	6th Floor	Aug 23, 2022	COVID-19		
Westmount Gardens	Respiratory	Aug 7, 2022	Daisy Unit	Aug 23, 2022	COVID-19		
Longworth Retirement Residence	Respiratory	Jul 28, 2022	Facility-wide	Aug 22, 2022	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 <u>https://www.healthunit.com/outbreak-resources</u>

### **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). <u>https://www.healthunit.com/outbreak-resources</u>

### 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). <a href="https://www.healthunit.com/outbreak-resources">https://www.healthunit.com/outbreak-resources</a>

#### **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). http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/publichealth/flu/docs/resp\_infectn\_ctrl\_guide\_ltc\_2015\_en.pdf

#### 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). <a href="http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/publichealth/flu/docs/respinfectn">http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/publichealth/flu/docs/respinfectn</a> ctrl guide ltc 2015 en.pdf