



OUTBREAK STATUS REPORT

Southwestern Public Health

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ACTIVE OUTBREAKS							
Premises	Location of Facility	Date Declared	Type of Outbreak	Affected Area(s)	Pathogen 1	Pathogen 2	Comments
Elgin Manor	St. Thomas	May 2, 2022	Respiratory	Orchard Grove unit	COVID-19		
Woodingford Lodge Woodstock	Woodstock	May 1, 2022	Enteric	Apple Grove	Norovirus		
Terrace Lodge LTCH	Aylmer	April 29, 2022	Respiratory	Lower South	COVID-19		
Woodstock Hospital	Woodstock	April 29, 2022	Respiratory	2200	COVID-19		
Harvest Crossing Retirement Home	Tillsonburg	April 26, 2022	Respiratory	Entire Facility	COVID-19		
Maples Home for Seniors RHRA	Tavistock	April 25, 2022	Respiratory	Entire Facility	COVID-19		
Oxford Gardens (Chartwell)	Woodstock	April 24, 2022	Respiratory	East Wing	COVID-19		
Extendicare Port Stanley	Port Stanley	April 22, 2022	Respiratory	Lower Level	COVID-19		
Maples Nursing Home for Seniors	Tavistock	April 22, 2022	Respiratory	Entire Facility	pending		
Woodingford Lodge Woodstock	Woodstock	April 7, 2022	Respiratory	Peach Place	COVID-19		
Caessant Care Nursing Home	Woodstock	April 6, 2022	Respiratory	Level 1 B South	COVID -19		
Victoria Manor Retirement Home	Woodstock	April 18, 2022	Respiratory	Entire Facility	COVID-19		
Langdon Retirement Villa	Woodstock	April 12, 2022	Respiratory	Entire Facility	COVID-19		

RESOLVED OUTBREAKS

Premises	Location of Facility	Date Declared	Type of Outbreak	Affected Area(s)	Date Resolved	Pathogen 1	Pathogen 2
Caressant Care Mary Bucke	St. Thomas	April 23, 2022	Respiratory	Entire Facility	May 3, 2022	Influenza A	
Beattie Manor	Wardsville	April 22, 2022	Respiratory	Entire Facility	May 3, 2022	Seasonal Coronavirus	
Royal Oaks Retirement Home	St. Thomas	April 5, 2022	Respiratory	Transitional Unit	May 2, 2022	COVID-19	
Seasons Retirement Home	St. Thomas	April 15, 2022	Respiratory	3 rd and 4 th Floor	April 29, 2022	COVID-19	

COVID-19 Outbreaks

- Homes must notify the local public health unit of all confirmed and probable cases of COVID-19 as soon as possible. An employee of a long-term care provider who performs work in a long-term care home operated or maintained by the long-term care provider shall not also perform work, (a) in another long-term care home operated or maintained by the long-term care provider; (b) as an employee of any other health service provider; or (c) as an employee of a retirement home unless they are fully vaccinated against COVID-19, unless otherwise directed by a medical officer of health.
- Staff with respiratory or enteric symptoms should be tested for COVID-19 regardless of their COVID-19 immunization status. Current COVID-19 information including guidance documents for the health care sector, information on signs and symptoms, testing, etc. can be found on the Ministry of Health's website at http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/publichealth/coronavirus/2019_guidance.aspx

Enteric Outbreaks

- Staff members/volunteers from facilities with active outbreaks should not work at other facilities until it has been 48 hours since they last worked at the affected facility **and** they are feeling well. This period may be modified if the causative agent is known. (Source: [Recommendations for the Control of Gastroenteritis Outbreaks in Long-Term Care Homes](#), 2018)
- Staff members/volunteers from facilities with active outbreaks who are experiencing symptoms of diarrhea and vomiting should not work at any facility until they have remained symptom free for 48 hours. Once a specific causative agent is known, disease-specific exclusions apply. (Source: [Recommendations for the Control of Gastroenteritis Outbreaks in Long-Term Care Homes](#), 2018)

Respiratory Outbreaks (Excluding Influenza)

- Staff members/volunteers from facilities with active outbreaks should not work at other facilities until it has been 72 hours since they last worked at the affected facility **and** they are not experiencing respiratory symptoms. This period may be modified if the causative agent is known. For example, if the cause of the outbreak is RSV, Parainfluenza, or Human metapneumovirus, consider lengthening this time to 5 days.
- Staff members/volunteers who are experiencing symptoms of respiratory illness should not work at any facility for 5 days from the onset of symptoms of a respiratory illness or until symptoms have resolved, whichever is shorter. This period may be modified if the causative agent is known. For example, during metapneumovirus, RSV, parainfluenza outbreaks consider extending exclusion to 8 days from symptom onset or until symptom-free, whichever is shorter.

Influenza Outbreaks

- Unimmunized staff members/volunteers from facilities with active outbreaks who are not receiving prophylactic therapy (e.g. Tamiflu) should not work at any facility until it has been 72 hours since they last worked at the affected facility **and** they are not experiencing respiratory symptoms.
- No exclusion needed for well staff members that are immunized and/or taking antivirals. They can continue to work at the affected facility and at other facilities without waiting 72 hours.
- Staff members/volunteers from an affected facility who are experiencing symptoms influenza should not work at any facility for 5 days from the onset of symptoms or until symptoms have resolved, whichever is shorter (Source: [Control of Respiratory Infection Outbreaks in Long-Term Care Homes](#), 2018).