



OUTBREAK STATUS REPORT

Southwestern Public Health

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ACTIVE OUTBREAKS

Premises	Location of Facility	Type of Outbreak	Date Declared	Affected Area(s)	Pathogen 1	Pathogen 2	Comments
Aylmer Retirement Residence	Aylmer	Respiratory	October 23, 2022	Entire Facility	COVID-19		
Caessant Care Mary Bucke	St. Thomas	Respiratory	October 21, 2022	Entire Facility	COVID-19		
Tillsonburg Retirement Home	Tillsonburg	Respiratory	October 14, 2022	Entire Facility	COVID-19		
Chartwell Aylmer	Aylmer	Respiratory	October 14, 2022	Rose Meadow	COVID-19		
Metcalf Gardens Retirement Residence	St. Thomas	Respiratory	October 17, 2022 October 14, 2022 October 13, 2022	Entire Facility Second Floor First Floor	COVID-19		
Seasons Retirement Community	St. Thomas	Respiratory	October 13, 2022	Entire Facility	COVID-19		
Valleyview	St. Thomas	Respiratory	October 13 th , 2022 October 20 th , 2022 October 24th, 2022	Wabash Line Chesapeak Grand Trunk Trail	COVID-19		
Oxford Manor Retirement Home	Ingersoll	Respiratory	October 3, 2022	Entire Facility	COVID-19		

RESOLVED OUTBREAKS

Premises	Location of Facility	Type of Outbreak	Date Declared	Affected Area(s)	Date Resolved	Pathogen 1	Pathogen 2
Caessant Care Bonnie Place Nursing Home	St. Thomas	Respiratory	October 2, 2022 September 27, 2022	Entire Facility B-Wing	October 24, 2022	COVID-19	
Southwest Centre for Forensic Mental Health	St. Thomas	Respiratory	October 11, 2022	B2	October 21, 2022	COVID-19	
Elgin Manor	St. Thomas	Respiratory	October 6, 2022	The Views	October 20, 2022	COVID-19	

Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital	Tillsonburg	Respiratory	September 30, 2022	2-South	October 15, 2022	COVID-19	
Woodingford Lodge	Tillsonburg	Respiratory	October 1, 2022	Rosewood	October 14, 2022	COVID-19	
PeopleCare	Tavistock	Respiratory	September 17, 2022 September 12, 2022	Entire Facility C Wing	Oct 12, 2022 Oct 7, 2022	COVID-19	
Elgin Manor	St. Thomas	Respiratory	Sept 18, 2022 Sept 18, 2022	Garden Grove Orchard Grove	Oct 7, 2022 Oct 10, 2022	COVID-19	
Maple Manor	Tillsonburg	Respiratory	September 15, 2022	Second Floor	Oct 7, 2022	COVID-19	
Oxford Gardens	Woodstock	Respiratory	September 3, 2022	West Wing	Oct 1, 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.
- 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).