

St. Joseph's Long-Term Care COVID-19 Case Count update

Wednesday, Aug 30, 2023

COVID-19 Details	#	Special Considerations
Total Active Positive Resident Cases	12	8 cases - Pine Trail – confirmed COVID-19 outbreak 2 cases - Canary Path – confirmed COVID-19 outbreak
New cases since date of last report (Aug 28, 2023)	1	1 case - Oriole Ave – suspect COVID-19 outbreak
*Residents Awaiting results of PCR test	12	Bluebird – confirmed respiratory outbreak (2 cases) with the causative organism identified as Rhinovirus.
Active Positive Staff Cases	16	
**Staff being monitored (this includes positive staff cases)	16	
Returned to work (for period beginning Aug 24, date the last outbreak began)	4	

The following measures have been put into place as guided by the Brant County Health Unit.

- **Everyone that enters St. Joseph's Lifecare will need to wear a mask.**
- It has been recommended only essential care givers visit at this time for the outbreak units.
- Pine trail will be on full tray service until the numbers reduce in resident cases.
- Home-wide activities should stop and unit activities only with only small group of residents attending each session – 4 has been the recommended number. Residents should be socially distanced if sitting in areas together.

As always, good hand hygiene practice must be done. Please complete hand hygiene when entering and exiting the facility and when entering and exiting the residents room.

Visits are to only take place with one resident – visiting multiple residents is not permitted. Masks to stay on for the entire visit.

Explanatory notes

*There are a number of reasons why residents undergo a PCR test:

- Admission / readmission
- Symptomatic of COVID 19
- Positive results on a RA test
- High risk exposure
- Surveillance testing

**Staff can be monitored for a number of reasons such as:

- They are confirmed positive
- They have tested positive on a rapid antigen test and are awaiting results of a PCR test
- they are symptomatic but have not tested positive
- they are a close contact of someone who has tested positive

***Not all staff absences are due to testing positive for COVID 19. They may have been away due to the reasons listed in the “Monitoring” section above.

Please note that the total number of cases listed on the Brant County Health Unit website reflects the total number of cases since an outbreak began, not the active case count.