



Because we care Update: April 12, 2022



Here is our latest update on our current Outbreak status. We invite you to take note of the following information and new guidelines from Public Health:

Current COVID-19 status:

Effective today, Grace Village is still considered to be in an outbreak status with Public Health until **May 1st. This could be extended.** This situation will remain effective for a minimum of 10 days following the last day of the last person out of isolation.

We have positive COVID-19 cases in wings A & B and we are testing every two days.

Residents who tested positive are now in room isolation. **Only the rooms** of these residents are now considered HOT ZONES and they are identified as such and all are required to wear full PPE. Hallways and other rooms with residents currently negative for COVID-19 are considered COLD ZONES and only a blue medical mask is required.

Residents in Wings A and B who have tested negative are not considered in isolation and may go to the dining room and circulate within and out of the wing.

Due to our outbreak status, visits for all residents are currently limited to four (4) family caregivers, from the designated list, per day, per resident.

Only one (1) family caregiver may visit at a time.

Please notify our Director of Care, Sandra Klinck, of the four designated Family Caregivers at sklinck@masscom.ca. Family caregivers must be pre-approved and added to the Family caregiver list to be able to visit their loved one.

Sandra Klinck, Director of Care, or Jill Guthrie, Nurse Supervisor, will communicate directly with mandataries in the event a resident tests positive. Exceptions apply for palliative care or other special circumstances.

Please note that guidelines change frequently as the situation evolves. All efforts are appreciated and help protect our most vulnerable residents.

Important reminder to postpone your visit to Grace Village if you answer 'yes' to any of the following questions:

- Do you have any COVID-19 symptoms?
- Are you waiting for the results of a COVID-19 test?
- Have you been in contact with anyone who tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 14 days or with anyone who is waiting for a COVID-19 test result?

Note: Residents' names have been submitted to Public Health for the next booster vaccine.

Lost & Found

All articles of clothing must be left at reception to be labelled before they are brought to the resident's room. Several clothing items have been accumulating in our laundry area because they were not labelled. We would like to give Family Caregivers the opportunity to identify their loved one's clothing in the Training room, from April 19 – 26 between 8:30am and 4:30pm. We appreciate your support.

Recreation & Leisure

Residents and employees have the opportunity to visit the "Stations of the Cross" in the training room this week to contemplate and pray through the stations featuring Bible verses and objects designed to highlight fourteen important moments in the last week of Jesus' life. Everyone is encouraged to take a few moments to reflect on or learn more about Easter and the events surrounding its origins.

Volunteer Week

We will be celebrating our volunteers the week of April 25th. This year's theme for National Volunteer Week is "Volunteers Bring Heart to Canada's Communities." We want to extend our appreciation for all our amazing volunteers who help at Grace Village in so many ways – if you see a volunteer, thank them!

Staffing Update

We are pleased to announce that our new Executive Director, Brigitte Lambert, joined Grace Village yesterday. Brigitte is from Sherbrooke and has had a career working as an Executive Director in health and social service organizations in our region. Karen Hornibrook will now assume the role of Interim Director of Corporate Services. We invite you to stop by the Business Office to welcome Brigitte!

We also want to welcome John Lombardo, who will be taking on the role of Financial Review Officer in the Business Office for the next 6 months. John will support the lease renewal process, as well as the administration team and the Grace Village Care Foundation.

Wishing you & yours a blessed Easter holiday from all of us here at Grace Village. We look forward to the day we can celebrate with family and friends again!

On behalf of the Leadership team,



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John 11:25 - Jesus said, "I am the Resurrection and the Life. Whoever believes in me will live, even if he dies."