

Because we care Update: May 17, 2022

The Ministry of Health issued a new directive yesterday regarding the lifting of the mask requirement in private seniors' residences (RPA). **As of May 14, 2022**, it is no longer mandatory for residents, family caregivers, visitors and volunteers to wear masks, unless there is an outbreak. Physical distancing is also no longer required between individuals. Outings for gatherings are permitted and follow the same guidelines as for the general population.

Please note that masks must still be worn by all the employees.

Current COVID-19 status at Grace Village:

Effective May 2, we are pleased to announce that Grace Village is back to regular status where all are welcome to Grace Village. **When there is no outbreak**, family caregivers or other visitors may visit a resident at all times. Visitors may circulate in the common areas of the Care Pavilion including the interior gardens. Given that protecting our residents remains a priority, blue medical masks are still available upon request, and we encourage you to continue hand hygiene on a regular basis.

As an important note, we ask that you postpone your visit if you have a fever or signs or symptoms of an infection or illness (i.e., stomach flu, cold, etc.).

If a new COVID-19 outbreak occurs, visits will again become limited. If we have one positive case of COVID-19 we are considered in an outbreak. The outbreak status remains effective for a minimum of 10 days following the last day of the last person out of isolation.

If a resident shows any COVID-19 symptoms, they are immediately tested. If a resident is exposed to an employee or visitor who tests positive, the resident is monitored for COVID-19 like symptoms up to 10 days.

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

Fourth booster vaccination

The 4th booster vaccination is now available for everyone over 18, three months or more after receiving the first booster dose. The CIUSSE-CHUS team will return for those residents who were not eligible during their first visit.

Upcoming Events

Friendship Day – June 11

Friendship Day is back, a wonderful way for the borough of Lennoxville to celebrate this special community. Grace Village will be participating in the parade with a float, so keep an eye out for us!



Golf Tournament - June 18

Grace Village is hosting their 4th Annual Golf Tournament on June 18th! The delicious supper and auction will take place in Faith Hall at Grace Village following the golf. Tickets and more information are available at gracevillage.ca/2022golf. We look forward to a great day of golf and fellowship, all while supporting deserving seniors in our community.

5 Year Celebration of the Grace Village Care Pavilion - July 16

We will be hosting a Strawberry Social afternoon at Grace Village on July 16 to celebrate 5 years in this beautiful care pavilion. This home was built only through the generous support of our donors, for which we are truly grateful. The incredible work of our staff and volunteers to move all our residents from the former Grace Village and Connaught buildings, over the course of 4 days, was certainly remarkable. Invitations with more details will be sent out soon.

We welcome summer with great joy and enthusiasm while remaining vigilant!

On behalf of the Leadership team,

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