



June 5, 2020

To: All Pioneer Manor residents, families and substitute decision makers

Re: COVID-19 Update #9

We are writing to provide you with an update from the Province regarding additional surveillance testing for all long-term care staff. On May 31st, the Ministry of Long-Term Care (MOLTC) released a memo, *COVID-19 Testing for Long-Term Care Home Staff*, stating that the province is requiring continued surveillance of all long-term care home staff. The memo also outlines that all LTC home staff, including front line workers, management, food service workers, contracted service providers, etc., are to be tested, at reasonable intervals - a minimum of twice in the month of June.

Continued testing of staff is an important part of the ongoing strategy to keep long-term care residents safe. As you are aware, Pioneer Manor preformed the first round of surveillance testing in April and will undertake further rounds of testing in June. The dates have been tentatively scheduled for June 10, 11, 24, and 25, pending approval from Ontario Health. In the event there are any positive test results, you will be notified.

Please note that at this time, the Ministry has not indicated any further surveillance testing for long-term care residents. Pioneer Manor continues to aggressively monitor and test residents with symptoms consistent with COVID-19.

Once again, testing is an important part in ensuring our residents and staff remain safe, and we are grateful that Pioneer Manor continues to have no positive COVID-19 cases.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at pmcommunications@greatersudbury.ca should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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