

July 29, 2020

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

Re: COVID-19 Update #15

We are writing to inform you that we have received confirmation of a positive COVID-19 test result at Pioneer Manor. Today, Public Health Sudbury & Districts notified us of one staff member who has tested positive for COVID-19. As per the most recent provincial directives, outbreaks of COVID-19 are not automatically declared in long-term care homes with the confirmation of one case. Public Health assesses each unique situation in determining if an outbreak should be declared.

The staff member who has tested positive has been notified and is at home self-isolating. They will not be returning to work until they have self isolated for 14 days and have had negative results.

In the interest of proactively ensuring the health of our residents and staff, and with the recent trend of increased cases in the community (including in another Long-term Care home), we will **immediately** suspend all non-essential indoor and outdoor visitations at Pioneer Manor. Following the long weekend and the completion of surveillance test results, we will reassess to determine next steps, such as resuming non-essential visitation. Essential and approved Essential Support Care visitors will continue to be permitted in the Home. These visitors will be required to wear a gown, mask and gloves during their entire visit.

Further communication regarding results and next steps will be shared with residents and families.

We continue to work closely with Public Health Sudbury & Districts to ensure every possible step is being taken to protect our residents and staff members. We sincerely appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we work to keep all residents and staff safe and healthy.

As always, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



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Director



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c.c.: Councillor René Lapierre, Chair, Community Services Committee  
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Dianna Foster and Terry Martyn – Family Council  
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