

Horizon Program Update February 11, 2021

With tremendous sadness, we share that two Horizon Program patients passed away overnight. We are all feeling the effects of this loss and offer our deepest condolences to the families, friends and our staff.

Since our last update on February 8, 2021, there has not been any additional patient cases of COVID-19. There is one additional staff case and the outbreak now consists of 9 patients, 14 staff, and sadly, seven deaths.

We are managing the Horizon Program outbreak with the highest priority and our team is working closely with the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit. As previously communicated the B.1.1.7 variant has been confirmed in the outbreak and all safety precautions remain in place as per Public Health guidance. We are so appreciative of our team of expert staff as they continue to provide compassionate care for our patients and support families and each other during this difficult time.

Horizon Program patients and a small number of other patients are receiving their second dose of the COVID-19 vaccine today, February 11, 2021. All Waypoint staff who received their first dose started receiving their second dose over the last week with others being scheduled in the next few days. While we don't yet have confirmation on when the remainder of our patients and staff will receive their first dose, we continue to advocate for this to occur as soon as possible.

Updates can be found on our website at www.waypointcentre.ca as has been the case throughout the pandemic.

Resources for Patients and Families

Supports for patients and families are available from our Spiritual Care Team, the Patient/Client and Family Council and the Patient Relations Office. More information can be found at www.waypointcentre.ca/patients_families

<p>Spiritual Care Clinical Multifaith Chaplains and Traditional Healer 705-549-3181, ext. 2850</p>	<p>Patient/Client & Family Council A peer-led organization committed to using personal experiences to improve mental health & addiction services 705-549-3181, ext. 2222</p>	<p>Patient Relations Office Available to listen to your feedback and work to answer your questions and resolve your concerns 705-549-3181, ext. 2999</p>
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