

February 10, 2021

IMPORTANT UPDATE - 2nd Dose of Vaccine

- Great news came from the Immunization Clinic today - All staff who have received their 1st vaccine dose prior to January 10, 2021 will receive their 2nd dose by Sunday thanks to an additional supply of vaccine that has been received.
- Please be regularly checking your email as the Clinic will be contacting you directly by email to arrange your 2nd dose appointment by Sunday.
- We continue to advocate for all Waypoint staff and patients to receive the vaccine as supplies allow.

Face Shields and Masks

- A surgical mask and a face shield must now be worn at all Waypoint locations when there is the potential for contact with another person that is closer than 6 ft/ 2 meters. This includes the Health Hub, Jones Road and when entering the Atrium, Bayfield and ESB buildings, traveling through the administrative areas and visiting the Bay Café.
- You will receive a clean face shield at the screening station.
- Full instructions are available in your Waypoint email from Infection Prevention and Control – MEMO Face Shields Feb. 9, 2021.

Horizon Outbreak

- There are no additional patient positive test results on the Horizon Program or anywhere in the hospital at this time.
- One additional Horizon staff has tested positive with no high risk exposures identified.

Wellness support is available

- Remember that TIST is available, or you can connect with the COVID Frontline Wellness Program through Central Intake at ext.2308 or fill out and submit the on-line [self-referral](#).
- These services are available for all staff across Waypoint so please use them, with information on how to access TIST and the Employee Family Assistance Program available on PenNIE.

Provincial Information

- On Feb. 8, 2021, the government, in consultation with the Chief Medical Officer of Health, announced it is moving to a regional approach while maintaining the shutdown in the majority of the public health regions in Ontario, including the Stay-at-Home order and all existing public health and workplace safety measures. The province is gradually transitioning each region from the shutdown measures to a revised and strengthened [COVID-19 Response Framework](#). Simcoe/Muskoka is currently listed to return to the framework on Feb. 16, 2021 with changes to the shutdown and stay-at-home orders still to be determined, however the date may change depending on the trends in local public health indicators.
- The Response Framework includes changes that allow in-store shopping at non-essential retail stores with additional public health and safety measures in place.