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Dear families,

Yesterday April 25, 2024 the **scabies outbreak on 3A St. Anne's unit** was resolved per regional infection prevention and control in consultation with our Medical Director. So all residents have resumed regular activities which include leaving the unit to attend programs and visiting with family and friends off the resident care unit. Thank you to the residents, family members and staff for their hard work to ensure we did not have additional spread on the resident care unit as well as the remainder of the facility.

Therefore, as of today, Holy Family Home is officially out of outbreak on all the resident care units within the home. All units can be part of regular programming on and off the units and family members/loved ones of our residents are free to visit throughout the facility and grounds.

As we head into the weekend, just a reminder on April 28, 2024 we do have our Sunday Liturgy in the am as well as our Jets game and white out party in the afternoon for all residents and families to attend. Looking forward to see everyone who is able to attend.

Today Shared Health did share some news with Holy Family Home and the province of Manitoba. The requirement to mask during direct care interactions with residents will be lifted effective May 1, 2024. With this change, Health-care workers are required to wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) according to Routine Practices which include wearing masks, gloves and gowns if the resident situation requires like in the event residents have respiratory symptoms, gastrointestinal symptoms, part of outbreak measures or any other symptom that might be considered contagious without the use of PPE.

Holy Family Home will be moving to being a mask-friendly environment. What this means is health care workers no longer need to wear a medical grade mask or eye protection for resident interactions, but if the staff member or family member wish to continue to wear a mask and eye protection they can continue to do so. Also, if a resident or family member requests staff to wear a mask during care interactions the staff are to respect the resident and family wishes and wear a mask during care interactions.

I am hoping that we are on a positive path as spring brings on feelings of renewal, optimism and anticipation of warmer temperatures, colorful blooms and no outbreaks.

Wishing everyone a blessed weekend.

Sincerely,

Stacey Morgan RNBN

Director of Care

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