



Holy Family Home

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Dear families,

Monday we received notice that we do have 4 residents who have tested positive for COVID 19 on the 4C St. Martha's/St. Basil's unit. We have been in contact with our Medical Director and regional infection prevention and control. We have initiated outbreak precautions as per the below:

- Daily screening of residents for symptoms
- initiate Isolation Precautions for anyone demonstrating symptoms
- Only small group activities that allow for physical distancing between residents on the resident care unit
- Ensure physical distancing during meals
- Ensure hand hygiene by the residents before and after meals and activities
- All residents to remain on the unit (no hairdressing or off unit events)
- Visitation is to occur in the resident care rooms on the unit only
- All staff and visitors are required to wear masks on this unit at all times

In relation to vaccination, many of our residents have received their influenza and COVID vaccines already in the home, but we are still hoping to give residents RSV (respiratory syncytial virus) vaccine. The RSV vaccine is newly available free to residents in long-term care homes in Manitoba.

What is RSV you ask?

RSV is a common respiratory virus that follows an annual seasonal pattern during the fall and winter months. The virus can spread from person to person through activities such as coughing, sneezing and talking or touching something that has the virus on it. The RSV vaccine is recommended for residents aged 60 years or older living in long-term care facilities to receive one dose. If you want your loved one to receive the RSV vaccine and you have not given consent to Holy Family Home to give your loved one the RSV vaccine please reach out to the unit nurse in person or on the phone to complete a consent form. Please reach out to your unit nurse if you have questions.

On another note, I did want to share with you that our coffee machine on the main floor of the building is out of service and we are now waiting on some parts, sorry about that! In the meantime, the Link cafeteria does sell the same coffee from 1100 to 115 pm daily if you wish to still get your coffee.

Wishing you all a blessed weekend! As we head into Remembrance Day on November 11, 2024, may you have time to stand in collective remembrance of all who have fallen in military service of their country.

Sincerely,

Stacey Morgan RNBN

Director of Care

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