

resident, staff, and family update

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Dear residents, staff, and families,

On Tuesday afternoon, the Premier announced a three-phase approach to removing public health protections. The three-phase plan is conditional; moving from one phase to the next is dependent on impacts to active case numbers, pressures on the health system, and more.

The lifting of COVID protocols does not apply to continuing care centres such as ours. Our COVID protocols remain in place.

Dr Hinshaw, Chief Medical Officer of Health noted in the press conference that how protections are lifted in continuing care centres will take place over a longer period to ensure the safety and health of residents. We expect to receive more information in the coming weeks and will share it with you at that time.

For now, the current public health measures at all our sites remain including:

- Screening upon arrival for staff and visitors
- Continuous masking for visitors
- Continuous masking and point of care PPE assessment for staff
- Rapid and/or PCR testing for residents and staff, as appropriate, based on protocols
- Isolating for 10 days for residents who test positive for COVID-19

Our policy requiring visitors to either be fully immunized or show proof of a negative COVID test taken at their own expense and within 72 hours prior to the visit remains. If you are not vaccinated or are partially vaccinated and unable to take the COVID test, please speak with your site administrator/site manager.

Thank you for your continued support in adhering to public health protocols. We will inform you as we hear of further changes.

In the meantime, please direct your concerns or questions to your site administrator/site manager or one of us. You can also email admin@covenantcare.ca.

Take good care.

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