

# Residents, Staff, and Family Update

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## COVID OUTBREAK

Dear Residents, Staff, and Families,

We regret to report that we have a confirmed outbreak of COVID-19 at Saint Thomas. This outbreak is currently affecting residents on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Currently there are 8 residents testing positive and we have other symptomatic residents isolating in their suites on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor waiting on Covid swab results.

Team members from Saint Thomas are in continual communication with Alberta Health Services Communicable Disease Team in order to ensure all appropriate interventions are implemented.

- Symptomatic and Positive residents will be placed on Contact and Droplet Precautions.
- Symptomatic staff will be excluded from work. PCR tests are required.
- Continuous Masking and Eye Protection for all staff while on site.
- Admissions/Discharges/Transfers will continue following the RAW process.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> floor residents will be having their meals and snacks served in their suites at this time.
- Group activities are on hold for the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor residents.
- Residents can continue to go off-site.
- Visitation at the site may continue although we ask visitors to delay your visit should you be experiencing any symptoms.

Please direct all outbreak questions to Gena Mymko, our Resident Care Manager, 780-450-2987 ext. 250 or email at: [Gena.mymko@covenantcare.ca](mailto:Gena.mymko@covenantcare.ca) or Leanne Gugenheimer, Site Administrator at [Leanne.gugenheimer@covenantcare.ca](mailto:Leanne.gugenheimer@covenantcare.ca)

Thank you for your patience, cooperation and understanding during this time.

Kindest regards,

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