



**MISERICORDIA**  
Health Centre  
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November 3, 2020

Hello everyone,

### **COVID-19 outbreak update**

#### **RESIDENTS:**

This morning there are zero new COVID-19 MP1 resident cases to report and we are not waiting for any results to come back.

**Number of active cases: 11**

**MP1: 11**

**MP2: zero**

**MP3: zero**

**Number of recovered cases: zero**

**Number of deaths: two**

#### **STAFF:**

**Number of active cases: seven**

The outbreak numbers are kept up-to-date on the Misericordia Place page of our website. As soon as we have updated numbers, they are added here:

[misericordia.mb.ca/misericordia-place](https://www.misericordia.mb.ca/misericordia-place)

Please be assured we are taking every possible measure to manage and contain the virus and have increased our staffing levels, both nursing and support staff, to help with the care and containment. We are continuing enhanced resident assessments and outbreak investigations are ongoing: including active case finding, resident, staff, external provider and visitor contact tracing.

Here are some of the additional supports in place:

- Clinical Nurse Specialist on the unit every day to assess residents and ensure quality, also working evenings and weekends
- Clinical Resource Nurse provides assessment and quality
- Chief Medical Officer provides resident care and assessment in collaboration with primary physician
- Manager support on the units on evenings and nights
- Educators working individually with staff on each shift including evenings and nights

I am also personally on call and am involved in evenings, nights and weekends.

### **Keeping you up-to-date**

We are doing our best to keep in touch with you as much as possible throughout this outbreak. If you have not already provided an email address, please call Dave at 204-788-8440 if you would like to receive emails from us. You may also receive a call from a volunteer asking for an email address.

As always, please call the nursing staff if you have any questions related to your loved one's health condition:

MP1: 204-788-8431

MP2: 204-788-8432

MP3: 204-788-8433

### **Visitor Restrictions/preparing to return to visits:**

We know how important in-person visits are to loved ones and we're sorry visitors aren't allowed at this time.

In preparation for a return to in-person visits, we ask you follow public health orders and recommendations carefully.

Most importantly, LIMIT your contacts wherever possible.

At a pandemic news briefing last week provincial chief medical health officer Dr. Brent Roussin mentioned a variety of scenarios where virus spread could have been avoided. One heart-breaking example was someone who attended a large gathering and then subsequently visited a personal care home.

The chief provincial public health officer strongly encourages Manitobans to reduce the number of close contacts outside their household and avoid closed-in or crowded spaces. In addition, they should focus on these fundamentals to help stop the spread of COVID-19:

- Stay home if you are sick.
- Wash/sanitize your hands and cover your cough.
- Physically distance when you are with people outside your household.
- If you cannot physically distance, wear a mask to help reduce the risk to others.

Questions welcome...

We're here to listen to you and support your loved one. Please let me know of any suggestions or questions you may have.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Taylor".

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