

Changes at Goderich Place effective July 7, 2021

Good afternoon Residents, Families and Staff,

We would like to share the key changes that will take affect on July 7th, 2021 within Goderich Place Retirement during Step 2.

Essential Care Giver Designation

- There will be no limit on the number of essential caregivers designated per resident.

General Visitors

- General visitors will be able to visit indoors in suited up to 5 individuals.
- General visitors may visit residents outdoors in a designated area. Groups may include up to 25 people (we do not have a designated area on site the park across the road is a good option).
- When visiting in suits please consider opening windows it is recommended for good air circulation.
- Please keep in mind if the numbers of people in the building at one time become unsafe for social distancing you maybe asked to reschedule by charge staff or management.

Group events and social activities

Indoors- social gatherings and events must not exceed 50% of the total capacity of the room

outdoor- social gatherings and events may include up to 25 individuals in Step 2.

Temporary overnight absence

A temporary overnight absence is permitted unless the resident is self-isolating. Residents must follow public health measures during the absence. A lab-based PCR test is required at time of admission/transfer. The individual must be placed in isolation on droplet and contact precautions if their test result is pending due to an unavoidable delay. If their test result is negative, isolation and droplet and contact precautions can be discontinued. For unimmunized residents a lab-based PCR test is required at the time of return, and the resident must be placed in isolation on droplet and contact precautions for a minimum of 10 days. A second negative lab-based PCR test result collected on day 8 is required to discontinue isolation on droplet and contact precautions on day 10. If this second test is not obtained, isolation on droplet and contact precautions must be maintained until day 14.

Tours

Targeted tours of empty suites will be allowed at all times and are not limited to the final stages.

Testing changes

All staff will be going back to PCR testing at the clinic once every two weeks for now. For those staff who have not had any vaccines we will continue to pan bio them twice a week and they must also do a PCR test every 14 days. We ask all unvaccinated general visitors or those who have traveled from out of the province or country to schedule an appointment for rapid antigen testing before visiting.

We have reached the public health thresholds for staffing vaccine numbers over 75% and continue to work on this.

We highly encourage all visitors and essential care providers to continue testing themselves for Covid 19 at your local clinic. This will ensure that our residents and staff remain safe and will help to prevent future outbreaks in our home.

Front Door Screening

Effective Monday, July 12th, 2021 we will be removing our Front door screener. All staff, residents, visitors, contractors and essential care providers are required to screen in at our front door using the **screening tablet**. We will be placing a box outside for deliveries and anyone entering the building must screen in using the tablet or fill out all paper work, read regulations and follow all Goderich Place rules for social distancing and IPAC procedures.

Visiting hours will be from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm and the door will be locked after this time. We ask that you are out of the building by 8pm

Thank you,

Annette Gerdes

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