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Subject: Updated Guidelines for Mask Usage in Retirement Homes and Easter Egg Hunt Reminder.

Dear Goderich Place Residents, Staff, Family and Friends,

I hope this message finds you well. We want to inform you of an important update regarding the use of enhanced masking in our retirement home. Yesterday, the government announced that enhanced masking is no longer recommended for retirement homes. As a result, we are adjusting our guidelines to align with this new directive.

Effective immediately, enhanced masking is no longer mandatory within our facility. While this is a positive development, it is crucial for all staff, residents, and visitors to remain vigilant in adhering to other preventive measures to ensure the health and safety of everyone in our community.

Risk of illness: even with the change in masking guidelines, the risk of illness remains. It is imperative that everyone continues to practice good hygiene, including regular handwashing, and remains mindful of symptoms. If you are feeling unwell, please refrain from visiting Goderich Place.

Sign-In and Sign-out Procedures:

Strict adherence to sign-in and sign-out procedures is essential. This helps us maintain accurate records and ensures that we can quickly and effectively respond to any potential health concerns.

Masking Requirements:

- Masks are required for staff, students, volunteers, and essential Visitors who are health care workers, including Home and Community Care Support Service worker, based on a point-of-care risk assessment.
- staff may consider wearing a mask while providing 1:1 care within 2 meters of an individual for 15 min or longer.
- Masks are recommended but not required for visitors who are not health care workers.

As always, we thank you for your continued cooperation and understanding as we navigate these evolving circumstances. The health and well-being of our community remains our top priority, and your cooperation is invaluable to maintain a safe environment.

Easter Egg Hunt- March 16th at 10:30- this is going to be a fun event with lots of treats. Please sign up your family, grandkids and friends. This is a private event and We need you to RSVP for this event with Mel, or at the front desk simply so we have enough for everyone.

