

# **OUTBREAK STATUS REPORT**

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# Middlesex-London Health Unit Last Updated: February 13, 2023 4:11 PM

### **Active**

Premise	Type of Outbreak	Date Declared	Affected Area(s)	Date Resolved	Pathogen 1	Pathogen 2	Pathogen 3
Parkwood Institute Main Building	Respiratory	Feb 12, 2023	5A North		COVID-19		
Parkwood Institute Main Building	Respiratory	Feb 11, 2023	4A North		COVID-19		
McCormick Home	Enteric	Feb 10, 2023	Evergreen Walk		Unknown		
Seasons Strathroy	Enteric	Feb 9, 2023	3rd floor, 2nd floor		Unknown		
Jake's House (formerly Prince George Retirement Residence)	Respiratory	Feb 9, 2023	1st and 2nd floor		COVID-19		
Chelsey Park LTC	Respiratory	Feb 8, 2023	2nd and 3rd floor		COVID-19		
Oneida Long Term Care Home	Respiratory	Feb 8, 2023	West/Bear Unit		COVID-19		
LHSC- University Hospital	Respiratory	Feb 6, 2023	U7		COVID-19		
Peoplecare Oak Crossing	Respiratory	Feb 6, 2023	Sugar Maple, Red Oak, Juniper		Rhinovirus		
Chartwell Parkhill	Enteric	Feb 5, 2023	Town wing		Norovirus		
Extendicare	Enteric	Feb 3, 2023	Facility-wide		Unknown		
Kensington Village Retirement	Respiratory	Feb 1, 2023	TCU - Thames		COVID-19		
Chartwell London	Respiratory	Jan 31, 2023	Aspen Unit		COVID-19		
Extendicare	Respiratory	Jan 27, 2023	1st Floor		COVID-19		
Dearness Home	Respiratory	Jan 26, 2023	1E, 2W		COVID-19		
Arbor Trace Alzheimer's Special Care Center	Enteric	Jan 23, 2023	Facility wide		Unknown		
Chartwell Royalcliffe Retirement Residence	Enteric	Jan 23, 2023	5th & 6th floor		Unknown		
Middlesex Terrace	Respiratory	Jan 19, 2023	Facility wide		RSV	Parainfluenza	
Craigwiel Gardens	Respiratory	Jan 16, 2023	Facility-wide		Human metapneumovirus	COVID-19	
Chartwell London	Enteric	Jan 3, 2023	Pinebrook Unit, Aspen Unit		Unknown		

## **Declared Over**

Premise	Type of Outbreak	Date Declared	Affected Area(s)	Date Resolved	Pathogen 1	Pathogen 2	Pathogen 3
Elmwood Place	Respiratory	Jan 9, 2023	Victoria	Feb 11, 2023	RSV		
Strathmere Lodge	Respiratory	Jan 31, 2023	Bear Creek	Feb 10, 2023	COVID-19		
Parkwood Institute Main Building	Respiratory	Feb 2, 2023	5A North	Feb 9, 2023	COVID-19		
Amica London	Respiratory	Jan 30, 2023	5th Floor	Feb 9, 2023	RSV		
Sprucedale Care Centre	Respiratory	Jan 22, 2023	Cedar unit	Feb 9, 2023	COVID-19		
McGarrell Place	Respiratory	Jan 17, 2023	Lawson Lane	Feb 7, 2023	COVID-19		
Peoplecare Oak Crossing	Respiratory	Jan 6, 2023	White Pine	Feb 7, 2023	COVID-19		

This information is to be used as a guide and is intended to help you prevent infections and outbreaks in your facility. The decision regarding who can work at a facility rests with that facility, but should take into account the need for adequate staffing levels and the risk of infection from staff working at multiple facilities. For more information please visit <a href="https://www.healthunit.com/outbreak-resources">https://www.healthunit.com/outbreak-resources</a>

#### **Enteric Outbreaks**

- Staff members/volunteers from facilities in outbreak should not work at your facility until at least 48 hours have elapsed since they last worked at the affected facility. This period can be modified if the causative agent is known.
- Staff members/volunteers who are experiencing gastrointestinal illness should not work at any facility until they have been symptom-free for at least 48 hours. Good hand hygiene should be reinforced with returning staff members/volunteers.
- Staff should change to a clean uniform between facilities and before leaving the affected facility.

  (Source Control of Gastroenteritis Outbreaks in Long-Term Care Homes: A Guide for Long-Term Care Homes and Public Health Unit Staff, 2013). https://www.healthunit.com/outbreak-resources

#### Clostridium difficile Outbreaks

• Provided that all required infection control practices are in place, staff can work at both affected and unaffected facilities without restrictions. Residents/patients with suspected or confirmed Clostridium difficile-associated diarrhea (CDAD) can be transferred within the health care system; however, the receiving facility must be notified and be able to comply with the recommended infection control precautions. Clostridium difficile is suspected in a resident/patient who develops diarrhea and has been in a facility experiencing a Clostridium difficile outbreak. Initiate Isolation rapidly and stool samples should be collected. (Source: Annex C: Testing, Surveillance and Management of Clostridium difficile In All Health Care Settings, January 2013). https://www.healthunit.com/outbreak-resources

#### **Respiratory Outbreaks (non-influenza)**

• Staff members/volunteers from facilities in outbreak should not work at your facility until at least 72 hours have elapsed since they last worked at the affected facility. For outbreaks attributable to Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV), Parainfluenza virus, Human metapneumovirus, and Adenovirus consider lengthening this time period to 5 days.

Staff members/volunteers who are experiencing respiratory symptoms should not work at any facility until 5 days from onset of symptoms or until symptoms have resolved. For outbreaks attributable to RSV, lengthen this time period to 8 days. Good hand hygiene should be reinforced with returning staff members/volunteers. (Source: A Guide to the Control of Respiratory Infection Outbreak in Long-Term Care Homes, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, November, 2015). http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/publichealth/flu/docs/resp\_infectn\_ctrl\_guide\_ltc\_2015\_en.pdf

#### Influenza Outbreaks

- The Health Unit recommends that you ask non-immunized staff/volunteers who are from facilities in outbreak, and who are not on an appropriate antiviral drug, to refrain from working at your facility until it has been at least 72 hours since they last worked at the affected facility.
- Staff members/volunteers who are experiencing respiratory/ influenza symptoms should not work at any facility until 5 days from onset of symptoms or until symptoms have resolved, whichever time period is shorter. Good hand hygiene should be reinforced with returning staff members/volunteers.

  (Source: A Guide to the Control of Respiratory Infection Outbreak in Long-Term Care Homes, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, November, 2015). http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/publichealth/flu/docs/resp\_infectn\_ctrl\_guide\_ltc\_2015\_en.pdf