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DRHC DECLARES COVID-19 OUTBREAK

DRYDEN, Ontario – Dryden Regional Health Centre (DRHC) has declared a COVID-19 outbreak in response to several patients testing positive for COVID-19. DRHC is ramping up infection control protocols as outlined in its Pandemic Plan in the interest of protecting patients, their families and staff.

During this outbreak, we are limiting visitation to one Designated Essential Visitor (DEV). The DEV must be fully vaccinated, have no symptoms and don a face mask at all times. Visitors are not permitted to remove masks for any reason while on the premises.

In addition to existing stringent Infection Control protocols in place at DRHC, additional measures are in place, including testing for admitted patients and additional cleaning protocols for high touch surfaces.

No service disruptions are expected as a result of the outbreak. Outpatient treatments and programs will continue as scheduled. If the situation changes and appointments must be rescheduled, patients will be contacted directly by the department.

“We are taking every precaution to minimize the spread of COVID within our buildings and prioritize the health and safety of our patients and staff”, says Doreen Armstrong-Ross, President and Chief Executive Officer at Dryden Regional Health Centre. “DRHC continues to be a safe place for patients in the community to receive the care they need. However, patience and understanding is needed from our public with the necessary added precautions and infection controls measures required at this time.”

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