



January 22, 2021

UPDATE TO ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Hello, we have received all of the resident results from Galway and all are negative.

We have received notification that unfortunately another staff member from Wexford has tested positive. The contract tracing internally shows that there was no transmission within St. Pat's as these individuals did not work on the same dates or on the same shift therefore there was no internal contact. This new case will extend the outbreak on Wexford until February 5th as long as there are no additional positive cases. The isolation precautions on Waterford should be over on January 24th and on Galway on January 30th, again assuming there are no additional positive cases and Ottawa Public Health confirms that the isolation precautions can be reduced at that time.

Ottawa Public Health and the Ottawa Hospital are managing the vaccine distribution process for Ottawa. They have identified that the residents will receive their second dose between 21 and 28 days after their first dose. We have not yet been notified as to the date that our residents will receive the second dose but there is a commitment for the resident second dose vaccinations within the 28 days.

We have been informed that the designated caregivers and staff who received the first dose at St. Pat's on Saturday January 16th will receive their second dose at St. Pat's however we do not have any confirmation of when this may occur. We will let you know as soon as we have been informed. Staff and designated caregivers who are awaiting a second dose at the Ottawa Hospital clinic will be notified of the process through that clinic.

Public Health educational material on IPAC procedures have previously been provided in the updates and is available on St. Pat's website: <https://stpats.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/IPAC-Education-for-Visitors-FINAL.pdf>
Please take a few minutes to review this information regularly for your protection and the protection of the residents, staff and other designated caregivers.

Have a safe and restful weekend,

Janet Morris
President and CEO