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UPDATE TO ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Hello, as you may have heard the Ontario government has now mandated Covid19 vaccination for long term care staff across the province. On Friday, those staff who are not vaccinated were notified of this requirement. We will continue to work with the staff to support them in making their decision.

The full details of the implementation of this new requirement will be communicated in our regular update on Wednesday.

Although the provincial government has not mandated the Covid19 vaccination for designated caregivers or general visitors, it is strongly encouraged that everyone who is able get vaccinated. We will be reviewing the visiting procedures for those people who are not vaccinated in the next few days to ensure that we have all of the necessary measures in place to keep everyone safe.

The other change that is coming is that rapid surveillance testing will resume for vaccinated staff, designated caregivers and general visitors. The provincial requirement was included in the information received on Friday and requires that this be implemented by October 15th. We are also working on the logistics of reinstating rapid testing for all staff, designated caregivers and general visitors with the goal of having this in place for Wednesday October 13th. We will provide further detail in the update on Wednesday.

These measures may feel like a step backwards however, we do know that there have been vaccinated people who have tested positive for Covid19 and these added precautions will assist to keep our residents, staff, designated caregivers and visitors safe.

Stay tuned for the details on these changes on Wednesday!

Stay safe,

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