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## **UPDATE TO ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

Hello,

Although we still have active Covid19 cases at St. Pat's, the overall status is significantly improved.

There are a total of 5 cases remaining, isolated to 2 home areas: Kilkenny with 3 residents and Cavan with 2 residents. All of the other home areas are now resolved and there are no active cases. The home area is out of outbreak when the last resident case is considered resolved.

Residents on non-outbreak home areas are able to go off the home area, go outside and out of St. Pat's for outings.

We are still considered in whole home outbreak officially at this time as per Ottawa Public Health (OPH). However, we have been able to get approval from OPH that general visiting can resume on all home areas except Kilkenny and Cavan who remain in outbreak status.

The same protocols apply for general visitors as previously:

1. Rapid testing required every 48 hours
2. A mask must be worn at all times for visiting
3. Follow the hand hygiene and physical distancing protocols

Designated caregivers visiting on the non-outbreak home areas can visit without eye protection and can remove their masks while in a resident room, however **it is strongly recommended that you wear eye protection and your mask at all times.** This is an added layer of protection for you and for the resident.

Be well and stay safe,

**Janet Morris**  
President and CEO