

August 13, 2025

UPDATE TO ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Hello,

Outbreak Status

We are currently in enteric (gastrointestinal) outbreak on Kilkenny. It is recommended that visiting on Kilkenny be kept to a minimum during the outbreak. Please remember to wash your hands and perform hand hygiene with your loved ones as well. If you are visiting a resident on isolation, you are required to wear a gown and gloves. Residents on Kilkenny are being encouraged to stay on the home area.

Resident BBQ Dinners

Outdoor BBQ dinners for residents are continuing throughout the month of August. These are scheduled by home area. Family and friends are welcome to join on the designated day for their loved one's home area. Dates for upcoming BBQs will be included in these weekly updates, as well as being posted on the home areas. The next BBQs are for Donegal Thursday August 21st and Carlow Monday August 25th. If you are interested to join us please contact Nutritional Services in advance at their office by the elevators to make a reservation and purchase a meal ticket. Guest meal tickets are \$10.00 per person and there is a limit of two guests per resident.

Main Kitchen Closure

The remediation work in the main kitchen is continuing and new flooring will be installed once this is complete. In the meantime, all food production has been moved to the satellite kitchens on the home areas. All of the therapeutic diets and special menus will continue to be provided. There may be short notice to changes to menu options, but we will endeavour to stick to the posted menu. Please stay out of the kitchenettes as much as possible and be cognizant of requiring a hair net if food is being produced in your area, please ask the staff. It is anticipated that both the main kitchen and Paddy's Place will be ready to reopen as of Monday August 25th.

St Patrick's Family & Friends Council is Recruiting

The Council is taking a meeting break until September, but our work continues! We are seeking new or existing Council members to become Council representatives to participate at the following Home Committees, and exchange important information between the Council and Committees. Please contact Council Secretary at style-type: style-type: style-ty

- Medication Safety The third Wednesday every two months, next meeting September 17th
- Resident Hygiene & Products The second Wednesday every three months, next meeting November 12th
- Responsive Behaviours The second Wednesday every three months, next meeting October 8th
- Wound, Nutrition & Hydration The third Monday every three months, next meeting September 15th

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Grey Sisters of the Immaculate Conception (GSIC) Volunteer Award

Just a reminder regarding the GSIC Volunteer Award, an award designed to honour the incredible contributions of our devoted volunteers at St. Patrick's Home of Ottawa. Just like the esteemed St. Marguerite d'Youville Staff Award, the GSIC Volunteer Award aims to celebrate volunteers who exemplify the spirit of compassion, dedication, and selflessness in their service to others. The submission deadline for nominations is August 31st. To nominate a volunteer, you can click on the link or scan the QR code below:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7L62K5T



Be well and stay safe, *Monique Patterson*, President and CEO