

October 1, 2025 **UPDATE TO ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS** Hello,

Outbreak Status

We are currently in enteric (gastrointestinal) outbreak on Carlow If you are visiting a resident on enteric isolation, you are required to wear a gown and gloves.

We are also in respiratory outbreak on Wexford. It is recommended that you wear a mask if you are visiting on Wexford. If you are visiting a resident on respiratory isolation, you are required to wear a mask, eye protection, gown and gloves.

It is recommended that visiting on outbreak areas be kept to a minimum. Please remember to wash your hands and perform hand hygiene with your loved ones as well. Residents on Carlow and Wexford are being encouraged to stay on the home area.

Reminder: Family Quality of Life Survey

From September 10 to October 10, 2025, St. Patrick's Home will be conducting the second annual Family Quality of Life (QoL) Survey. This survey is an important way for us to hear directly from families about their experiences and their loved one's quality of life. Survey links have been sent directly to the Power of Attorney (POA) for Care for each resident. We sincerely appreciate your participation, as your feedback helps us improve our programs and services to better support residents and their families.

St. Marguerite d'Youville Award – NOMINATION DEADLINE EXTENDED

The annual St. Marguerite d'Youville Excellence Award recognizes the outstanding achievements of employees at St. Patrick's Home Ottawa, who have three or more years of service. The goal of this award is to recognize individuals who have made a consistent and ongoing commitment in the tradition and mission of St. Marguerite d'Youville.

The criteria for the award indicate nomination is based on:

- Recognizing individuals who have made an outstanding commitment, in the tradition and mission of St. Marguerite d'Youville.
- Individuals who have demonstrated personal qualities and exceptional skills, either in their department or throughout the home, as demonstrated in their actions, or the guidance they have provided.

The St. Marguerite d'Youville Award Nomination Form is available at reception and is also posted on the website: 2025 SMDY Nomination Form. Please feel free to nominate any staff member that you feel has lived the Mission, Vision and Values of St. Pat's. The deadline for 2025 nominations has been further extended to October 3, 2025.

Best Regards, *Monique Patterson*,

President and CEO