
Weekly Family Update

May 18th, 2020

Dear Families & Friends of Grandview Lodge,



It's hard to believe that its Victoria Day week-end already. As we head into the second half of May we continue with all the necessary procedures in ensuring the safety of your loved one. Here is our COVID-19 weekly update. We received all of our residents' swabs back and are delighted to share they are all negative!! All of our staff swabs have come back negative as well. Now that our whole home has been tested for COVID, we will continue with the surveillance testing as directed by the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care. This will more than likely occur by testing five residents and five staff weekly. If you have any questions regarding this testing please contact Jelte Schaafsma at jschaafsma@halidmandcounty.on.ca ext.2234.

Please find attached an open letter from Honourable Dr. Merrilee Fullerton, Minister of Long-Term Care with details on the on-going measures the Ministry is taking to prevent and contain the spread of COVID-19. Please review the attached letter for further information. [MLTC Minister's Letter to LTC Residents and Families](#) It is extremely nice to see all the measures the government has taken to stop the spread of COVID-19 in the long-term care sector. We look forward to working with them to see what additional actions they will take in the future so that we can continue to provide the best quality of care for our residents.



I had a chance to participate in the Regional Family Council Network ZOOM meeting on May 14th. They shared a link to a podcast that might be of interest to some of you. It is from Teepa Snow and she talks about how to prepare ourselves for reconnections after COVID-19. If you would like to take a listen to it here is the link: <https://teepasnow.com/talkshow/>

Last week was National Nursing Week from May 11th – May 15th. This year has been an extraordinary year to celebrate all the work that all of our RN's, RPN's and PSW's do. We want to send a thank you to all the nurses and all the staff for the wonderful work they do each and every day at Grandview Lodge. Most superheros have a sidekick, Batman has Robin and our nursing department is supported by all departmental staff in the home. GVL is full of hero's. Take a look at this video attached!

SUPERHEROES WEAR MASKS



#NursesAreSuperheroes



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We are still continuing to keep residents socially and emotionally engaged. Take a look at some of our photos below. We hope you all had a wonderful Victoria Day holiday. Remember, contact a recreation team member to set up a phone call or window visits with your loved one. We are all in this together and we hope we can see you all again soon!

Stay safe and healthy everyone!

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