



# Grand Viewpoints

February 2021

## *Administrator's Message*

Here are some quick updates and answers to some of the common inquiries we receive.

### **January 2021 GVL COVID-19 Outbreak.**

- Resolved as of January 29, 2021
- Transmission within the home was minimal
- There was no Resident involvement

### **Hello Residents, Family and Friends of Grandview Lodge.**

My optimism and excitement got the best of me!

In preparation for our February Newsletter I wanted to provide you with a high level update of what was happening in our home and intended to update the information today before it was sent out to you. I apologize for the misinformation.

As many of you are aware, our **January 2021 COVID-19 Outbreak** has been **extended**.

A staff member tested positive through our routine testing. They passed the screening tool upon entering the home and remain asymptomatic at this time while they self isolate in their home. There is no indication that this new positive was linked to the previous positive cases however it does mean that there is a new risk that transmission may occur and for that reason the outbreak is extended. We have taken precautionary swabs from the residents on the home area where the staff member works. At this time the residents are not demonstrating symptoms of COVID-19 and any positive tests will be reported to the resident or POA where required.

All GVL staff are encouraged to adhere to the protocols in place by our province and I am confident that our staff are not intentionally putting themselves or our residents at risk. I can assure you we are doing everything within our scope to keep your loved one safe.

The toll that isolation has on our residents is not lost on us and we will continue to look to evidenced based guidelines for safe and effective ways to mitigate both the risk of harm associated with transmission of the virus and the risk of harm associated with social isolation.

At this time the anticipated end date of the outbreak is February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021

We will continue to complete our surveillance swabs, collaborate with our public health unit and look for safe and proven methods in engaging our residents socially.

Again my sincerest apologies for any confusion the original message may have caused.

Stay Well.

Jennifer