

COVID-19 Bulletin

ERHHC Update

**Our Community is in COVID-19 Yellow Level as of
November 16th, 2020**

**PROTECT: Heightened Infection Control Measures in Place to
Protect Patients and Staff**



**Procedural (Surgical) Masks
are to be worn at all times
throughout the facility and
hand hygiene is strictly
enforced. No Exceptions!**

**No cloth masks are
permitted.**

**Those wearing a face shield must
still wear a procedural mask.**

Visitor Restrictions are as follows for Hospital Patients:

Acute Care: 1 dedicated care partner (DCP) will be permitted for all admitted patients and the hospital screeners will be provided with that information. All visitors will be have to be identified on the list to access patients.

Emergency Department: 1 dedicated visitor per patient in the Emergency Department. Patients and visitors are not to be in and out of the department and must remain in the ED.

Compassionate considerations for palliative or critically ill patients will be the exception to visitor restrictions and at the discretion of the department staff.

Coronaviruses are spread mainly from person to person through close contact, for example, in a house-hold, workplace, or health care facility. **You can make a difference by:**

***Washing your hands thoroughly and often**

***Cough or sneeze in your sleeve or a tissue**

***Keep surfaces clean and disinfected**

***Stay home if you are sick**

Visitor Restrictions for Long Term Care Residents:

The Espanola Nursing Home has decided to take action and restrict visiting to the Home for the next 2 weeks since we have local cases of COVID-19. Families will be notified when we will return to our previous visiting protocol. Virtual visits are still available. The restrictions include as below:

1. No residents will be able to leave the property until restrictions are lifted by the Director of Care. Exception is given to medical appointments.
2. Indoor visits will be restricted to Essential Visitors only (2 per resident)

The COVID-19 Assessment Centre continues to operate Monday to Friday 8am-4pm. Please call 869-1420 x 4500 if you require an appointment for testing.