



Important Update
COVID – 19 Outbreak
September 23, 2022

Dear VCV Residents, Families and Staff,

Our home remains in outbreak. Affected area: Casa DeGasperis. Affected residents and close contacts remain on isolation under contact/droplet precautions. Please speak to unit charge nurse if you have questions regarding your loved one's isolation, testing or test results. We will be testing residents and staff as per risk assessment and YRPH recommendations. We are continuing to work closely and collaboratively with York Region Public Health in managing this outbreak and will provide updates as they become available to us.

As of September 23, 2022, at 3:00 PM

Staff	Active Cases – 3
Residents	Active Cases – 0

Casa Degasperis and residents on other units under isolation:

- Essential visitors are permitted, only (1) essential caregiver may visit at a time
- **General visitors are not permitted**

The following IPAC measures are in place:

- Increased cleaning of high-touch surfaces such as handrails and furniture in all areas
- Close monitoring of all residents for symptoms of COVID-19, including taking temperatures and completing active screening
- Active screening of all staff and visitors
- Cohorting of staff
- Physical distancing is maintained in all areas of the home
- Enhanced hand hygiene
- Enhanced surveillance testing of staff and visitors

Please remain vigilant and practice the following measures to minimize the spread of the virus:

- Stay 6 feet apart from others
- Avoid crowds
- Wear a mask
- Stay home and self-isolate if you are sick
- Clean surfaces and your hands often



- Avoid touching your face
- Pay attention to and sanitize surfaces while shopping or using a gas station
- Open windows to increase airflow and ventilation
- DO NOT come to the Home if you are experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19
- Adhere to all home's Policies, Government of Ontario and Public Health Directives
- Get vaccinated against COVID-19, schedule your booster shot
- **If you haven't done so already, book your COVID-19 vaccination or booster shot.** Health Canada approved the **Moderna / Spikevax COVID-19 bivalent vaccine** which offers more targeted protection against the Omicron variants.

Vaccination Clinic – Moderna / Spikevax COVID-19 bivalent vaccine

If you wish for your loved one to be added to the next clinic, please review attached fact sheet and return signed consent to Liza Reantaso – DOC/ Administrative:

vcvdoc@universalcareinc.ca

Our ongoing commitment to you is that VCV and UniversalCare will be meeting and working with York Region Public Health to ensure we are doing all we can to keep our residents, staff and visitors safe; as information becomes available, we will continue to be transparent with our communication.

This update will be issued on Tuesdays and Fridays.

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Thank you,

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