

Nov 10th, 2022

Sent on behalf of the Fraser Health Integrated Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Services

UPDATE Changes to COVID-19 visitor guidance

- [The MoH Guidance Overview of Visitors in Long-Term Care and Seniors' Assisted Living](#) will be updated to reflect the following Provincial Health Officer (PHO) approved direction; to eliminate the restrictions on visitors attending gatherings of any size at LTC and AL sites.
- It will take a few days or more for the Ministry to update and publish the revision of the guidance however the PHO has stated that this change can be implemented this week. This means, for example, that indoor Remembrance Day ceremonies can include family members and other visitors, provided they are otherwise eligible to visit (have provided proof of vaccination and undergone a rapid test).
- The PHO has reiterated that the requirements for visitors to provide proof of vaccination (in LTC and AL) and undergo rapid testing (in LTC) will remain in place throughout this respiratory season.
- In addition to updating the Overview, MoH is planning to provide an updated Q and A document. This will be communicated once available

NEW Single Site Orders Expiring Town hall Q&A

- Please see attached Slido Q&A for the Single Site Orders expiring Town Hall with Care community leaders that occurred on October 20 & 24 2022

NEW LTC Affiliate Sites Nursing Staff Survey

- Long-term Care Contract Services is up-dating their files and wanted to confirm your site's status regarding nursing staff and whether they are unionized or not;
- We are also looking to confirm whether the staff is your own or contracted;
- Please complete the attached survey and send back to Richard Simson at richard.simson@fraserhealth.ca by **Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2022**.

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***NEW* The Acute to Long-term Care Transfer Checklist**

- The attached checklist will be launched for all transfers into funded Fraser Health beds from the South Acute Care Sites (Surrey Memorial Hospital, Langley Memorial Hospital, Delta Hospital and Peace Arch Hospital) matched on or after November 16th.
- If you or your site have not had a chance to attend one of the educational sessions, please reach out to Sanaah Dodhia at Sanaah.dodhia@fraserhealth.ca to get a link to the recorded session.
- See attached copy of the checklist
- Access, Care, and Transitions looks forward to a seamless transition experience, 7 days a week

***NEW* Removal of dedicated Safety and Well-being resource positions for Affiliates – Effective Immediately**

- On September 29th, the BC Ministry of Health released BC's Health Human Resources Strategy. A central focus of this strategy requires that workforce wellness, health, and safety be a priority for health authorities.
- In order to meet the established accountabilities, resources are being redeployed within the Safety and Well-being team.
- Please see attached KYI for more detail.

***NEW* Infection Prevention & Control Canada (IPAC) Environmental Cleaning Survey- Optional**

- This survey is an initiative to look into the current environmental team practices in different types of health care facilities with an IPAC lens.
- Your care community may already be a top performer, which may help others with an idea to follow the practice, or this may be an opportunity to look into a few deviations from the recommended practices.
- You or any member of your care community can be a part of this quality project. Collaboration with Environmental services team may be required to answer some of the questions.
- Click link to complete this optional survey **by November 15th**: [Studying the Environmental Cleaning Practices across Canada](#)