

## Sent on behalf of the Fraser Health Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Coordination Centre

### **\*UPDATE\*** MOH LTC/AL Visitation Guidance

- There remain 3 categories of visits – essential, designated and social (where essential and designated visitors may visit during an outbreak)
- We have extended the designated visitor category to AL for consistency
- Rapid testing for visitors in LTC remains a requirement, including for social visitors
- Rapid testing for visitors may be done onsite or at home prior to visiting (within 48 hours of the visit)
- Masking in common areas (and multi-bed rooms) is still required, but as per pre Omicron guidance, fully vaccinated visitors can remove their masks in single resident rooms

### **\*NEW\*** Updates in Care Home and Public Health follow up for Initial resident cases

- Care homes will transition to self management when there is an “initial” resident case by implementing the Enhanced Monitoring-Outbreak Checklist
- Care homes will still be required to send in Tools 27/28 to Public Health on a daily basis once a resident/staff case is identified
- Public Health will monitor the cases and be available to provide support to the care home
- [See KYI](#)

### **\*UPDATE\*** Enhanced monitoring/Outbreak Checklist

- [The Staff Case\(s\) Checklist](#) and [Enhanced monitoring/outbreak checklist](#): Updated to reflect visitors must follow appropriate Infection Control measures (e.g. droplet precautions)
- Enhanced monitoring/outbreak checklist additional update: timeframe for ending enhanced measures

### **\*UPDATE\*** Public Health COVID-19 Outbreak letters

- Minor revisions have been made to LTC/AL resident/family/tenant/staff outbreak notification letters
- These revised letters will be provided to you by Public Health in the event of an outbreak

### **\*NEW\*** LTC/AL Coordination Centre

- The functions of the LTC/AL Coordination Centre are being transitioned into the LTC/AL program.
- In the event of urgent need and/or further pandemic situations the Coordination Centre operations will be stood up as needed