



**Media Statement – Outbreak over at Columbia Forest Long Term Care Home – Waterloo  
- Dr. Rhonda Collins, Chief Medical Officer, Revera**

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We were advised on August 6 that Region of Waterloo Public Health declared the COVID-19 outbreak at Columbia Forest Long Term Care Home in Waterloo to be over.

We appreciate the support of Public Health, our families and the local community as we worked to contain the spread of COVID-19 in the home.

We can assure you that we are not letting our guard down now that this outbreak is over. We will maintain our vigilance, monitoring residents and screening staff for symptoms, and ensuring that staff wear surgical masks and face shields or goggles at all times.

Surveillance testing will continue and any residents or staff displaying any potential symptoms will be placed in isolation and tested for COVID-19.

We are in the process of reaching out to the families of residents to inform them of the process for arranging visits.

Revera will continue to do everything we can to keep our residents and employees safe as we work to prevent the spread of COVID-19 at our long term care and retirement residences.