



**Media Statement – Update on The Meadows Long Term Care Home – Ancaster, ON  
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Hamilton Public Health Services has confirmed that six residents of The Meadows Long Term Care Home in Ancaster have tested positive for COVID-19 since the outbreak began on December 16.

We are working closely with Hamilton Public Health Services officials and are maintaining pandemic outbreak protocols and infection control practices. We are doing enhanced cleaning at The Meadows Long Term Care Home, frequently disinfecting high touch surfaces like handrails and doors, resident rooms, common areas and staff rooms.

All residents are monitored closely for symptoms twice daily and are tested if they present any potential signs or symptoms of the virus. All residents are monitored twice daily for symptoms.

All staff are screened at the beginning and end of their shifts and are being cohorted to work in assigned resident areas. All staff are required to wear an appropriate mask and eye protection in the home.

At the direction of Public Health, all residents in Panabaker House are to remain in their rooms at all times with contact and droplet precautions in place, and residents in other areas are cohorted to their home areas. Individual recreation activities will be continued to maintain social engagement during this period of isolation.

We are regularly updating residents, their families and the staff on the status of the outbreak. At the direction of Public Health, all visits are cancelled temporarily. Essential caregiver visits and essential visits for palliative residents will be permitted.

We recognize how difficult these measures are for residents and their families and we appreciate their patience and understanding as we put these precautions in place for the safety of our residents.

Revera continues 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 homes and retirement residences.