



**Media Statement – COVID-19 Outbreak at Sunwood Retirement Residence – Maple Ridge  
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Fraser Health Authority declared an outbreak of COVID-19 at Sunwood Retirement Residence in Maple Ridge on February 23 after two staff members and four third-party care providers tested positive for COVID-19. All are in self-isolation at home. All residents and staff will be swabbed at the direction of Public Health.

We are working very closely with Public Health officials and are following strict pandemic outbreak protocols and infection control practices. All residents are monitored twice daily for symptoms.

All staff are screened at the beginning and end of their shifts. All staff are required to wear an appropriate mask and eye protection in the home.

Enhanced cleaning is being done at Sunwood Retirement Residence. We frequently disinfect high touch surfaces like handrails and doors, common areas and staff rooms.

All residents in the home have been asked to self-isolate in their rooms. Meals are served in resident rooms with supervision and assistance as required. To maintain stimulation and social engagement during this period of isolation, individual recreation activities continue.

We have informed the residents, their families and the staff of the status of the outbreak. At the direction of Public Health, all indoor and outdoor visits are cancelled temporarily. Visits from designated visitors and essential visits for palliative residents will be permitted.

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