



**Media Statement – Update on Elginwood Long Term Care Home – Richmond Hill
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York Public Health has confirmed that three staff members of Elginwood Long Term Care Home, in Richmond Hill, have tested positive for COVID-19 since the outbreak began on January 18. The staff members remain at home in self-isolation.

We are working closely with York Public Health officials to maintain pandemic outbreak protocols and infection control practices. We are doing enhanced cleaning at Elginwood, frequently disinfecting high touch surfaces like handrails and doors, 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 staff are screened at the beginning and end of their shifts. All staff are required to wear an appropriate mask and eye protection while in the home.

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.

All Elginwood residents and staff, who have provided consent and are able to be vaccinated, have now received their first dose.

We are regularly updating residents, their families and the staff on the status of the outbreak. At the direction of York Public Health, visits are restricted to essential caregivers and essential visits for palliative residents.

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.