



**Media Statement – Update on outbreak at Westside Long Term Care Home – Toronto
- Dr. Rhonda Collins, Chief Medical Officer, Revera**

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Since the beginning of the pandemic, the priority at Westside Long Term Care Home in Toronto has been to protect the health and well-being of our residents, staff and caregivers.

As of today, there are no residents with active cases of COVID-19 in the home. There are four staff members with active cases of COVID-19. We have 106 residents and 152 staff members who have recovered. We regret to confirm that 42 residents have passed away from COVID-19 since the outbreak began. We offer our most sincere condolences to the families and friends of the people we have lost to the pandemic.

We are pleased that for the past 20 days, since December 19, 2020, we have not had a new positive COVID-19 resident case. This is an encouraging sign and validation that our efforts are working.

Vaccinations are underway for all residents for whom we have received consent. Staff are booking appointments at Humber River Hospital to receive their vaccines. This will add another layer of protection. We continue to work very closely with Toronto Public Health and are following pandemic outbreak protocols and infection prevention and control practices.

We are keeping the residents, their families and the staff up to date on the status of the outbreak.

Revera and its partners are proactively working to do everything we can to keep our residents and employees safe as we continue to work to prevent the spread of COVID-19 at our long-term care homes and retirement residences. We are supportive of UniversalCare Canada Inc.'s role in providing temporary management support for Westside under the Ministry's mandatory management order.