



**Media Statement – Outbreak of COVID-19 at Montfort Long Term Care Home - Ottawa
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On June 14, Ottawa Public Health informed Montfort Long Term Care Home that a staff member who was swabbed on June 9 as part of mass employee testing returned a positive test result. OPH declared an outbreak in the home focused on the two home areas in which the employee, who has no symptoms of COVID-19, worked.

In the initial outbreak at Montfort, 69 residents tested positive for COVID-19. All of the residents have recovered. We offer our most sincere condolences to the families and friends of the 29 residents we have lost to this pandemic.

A total of 42 staff members tested positive during the pandemic. Forty-one have recovered and one staff member is at home in isolation.

We continue to work closely with Ottawa Public Health officials to implement outbreak protocols and infection prevention practices.

Staff providing care for residents in isolation (positive or symptomatic) wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) which includes a mask, face shield, gloves and gown. All other staff in the home wear surgical masks and face shield or goggles at all times.

We are updating the families of residents regularly via email and phone. Revera is doing everything we can to keep our residents and employees safe as we work to stop the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic in our long term care homes and retirement residences.