



**Media Statement – COVID-19 Update on Baywoods Place Long Term Care Home – Hamilton-
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Hamilton Public Health Service declared an outbreak of COVID-19 at Baywoods Place Long Term Care Home in Hamilton on May 26 after two staff members tested positive for COVID-19. Both staff members are in self-isolation at home. At the direction of public health, all residents and staff were tested. All results have returned negative.

We are working closely with Hamilton Public Health Service officials and are maintaining pandemic outbreak protocols and infection control practices. We are doing enhanced cleaning at Baywoods Place, 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 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 are to remain in their rooms at all times. Individual recreation activities will be continued to maintain social engagement during this period of isolation.

All Baywoods Place residents who consented to and are able to be vaccinated have now received both doses. Vaccinations for staff are underway.

We are regularly updating residents, their families and staff on the status of the outbreak. At the direction of public health, general visits are cancelled temporarily, however visits from essential caregivers 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.