



**Media Statement – Update on outbreak at Parkview Place Long Term Care Home – Winnipeg  
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As of today, a total of 107 residents of Parkview Place have tested positive for COVID-19. There are 22 active cases and 62 resolved cases of COVID-19 among the residents at Parkview Place. We regret to confirm that 23 residents of Parkview Place have passed away with COVID-19. The team at Parkview Place is devastated by the loss of these residents and offers their deepest sympathies to the families and friends of the people we have lost to the pandemic.

There are 13 active and 17 resolved cases among the 30 staff who have tested positive since the outbreak began. Staff who are positive are currently self-isolating at home and many of the staff members whose cases have resolved have returned to work.

Staffing is stabilizing at Parkview Place. Although several staff are still self-isolating after testing positive, several have returned. We have also augmented the regular staff with agency nurses and personnel from security firms to help keep residents isolated in their rooms.

Revera has reached out the Canadian Red Cross and is working them through the WRHA on a plan to provide additional staffing resources to support the residents with delivery of meals, recreation activities and companionship, and maintaining isolation in rooms.

Revera has engaged Winnipeg-based epidemiologist Cynthia Carr and her team to assist us at Parkview Place and Maples. The team is assisting us with data analysis and contact tracing to determine sources of transmission and to help us understand the unusually high rate of asymptomatic positive cases and atypical symptoms that we have seen recently. Their support will free up staff time to provide more care to residents and will support our evidence-based decision-making, in concert with the WRHA, in managing the outbreak.

We continue to work closely with Winnipeg Regional Health Authority (WRHA) Public Health officials to implement our pandemic outbreak protocols and enhanced infection control practices. All residents are monitored for symptoms twice daily. Staff are screened at the beginning and end of their shifts. All staff continue to wear the indicated PPE which includes an appropriate mask, gloves and eye protection in the home when in contact with residents.



We are doing enhanced cleaning at Parkview Place, disinfecting high touch surfaces like handrails and doors, resident rooms, common areas and staff rooms more frequently.

The Recreation staff is providing individual activities to keep residents stimulated and engaged, from books, puzzles and games to setting up video calls with family members. In response to requests from families, we are encouraging visits from designated family caregivers. Family contacts interested in the designated family caregiver process should contact the Recreation Manager for more information.

We continue to provide frequent updates for residents, their families and the staff by phone, email and automated voice message.

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.