Family and Community COVID-19 Update  
October 26, 2022

In consultation with the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit (SMDHU), Waypoint now has three clinical units in outbreak. This includes the Acute Assessment Program (AAP) Swing Unit, AAP Level 2 Toanche Building and the Forensic Assessment Program (FAP) B. Patients are reported to be doing well and symptomatic/positive patients are remaining in their room with enhanced droplet/contact isolation precautions. All other patients are remaining on the program and visits/passes have been suspended at this time. We have also implemented other safety measures including patients eating in their rooms.

For our other programs not in outbreak we have a schedule for when asymptomatic patients can be off unit. They are co-horted within individual units to minimize interaction. Patients are also being encouraged to wear masks and talk to staff about vaccination. As there are additional patients with COVID in our hospital, we are taking additional safety measures where necessary.

With the increase in COVID cases throughout our community and the overall COVID-19 community risk level currently HIGH according to the SMDHU, eating and drinking is not permitted at this time during visits for other patients across the hospital effective today.

All visits must be scheduled, indoors and out, at least 72 hours in advance. Visitors to the Horizon Program require screening at the door with negative rapid antigen tests - Horizon patients may have up to 4 visitors indoors and as many as can be accommodated outside given standard visiting practices.

All visitors must attest to COVID-related screening questions posted at all hospital entrances and wear appropriate personal protective equipment regardless of whether the visit takes place indoors or out.

We urge you to get vaccinated for COVID, including boosters if eligible, and for the flu as the fall flu season is upon us, wear a mask, physical distance and continue to be cautious about gathering in large groups. We can help each other and we can help the health care system by doing everything we can to stay healthy and help our loved ones stay healthy.

Resources for Patients and Families
Supports for patients and families are available from our Spiritual Care Team, the Patient/Client and Family Council and the Patient Relations Office. More information can be found at www.waypointcentre.ca/patients___families

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