



December 23, 2020

Dear residents and loved ones of Good Samaritan Stony Plain Care Centre and Cottages,

Further to my last letter to you on December 20, Public Health has determined that we are now on a confirmed COVID-19 outbreak. We currently have one active resident COVID-19 case and one active employee COVID-19 case. We continue to work closely with Alberta Health Services, and all of the outbreak measures I outlined in my last letter are still in place. This includes:

- All group activities and non-essential outings or services have been cancelled. Residents will receive one-to-one recreation.
- Enhanced cleaning is being conducted throughout the building.
- Residents and employees are undergoing additional screenings, including temperature checks. Employees will be monitoring residents closely for COVID-19 symptoms.
- Residents of D1, D2, and the supportive living cottages have been put on contact droplet precautions, meaning they are isolated in their rooms and employees are wearing full personal protective equipment.
- Cohorting employees to the best of our ability.

Asymptomatic testing for residents and employees is being completed and should any resident test positive, their primary contact or legal health representative will be notified right away. If any resident starts to show symptoms, they will also be put on contact droplet precautions and tested right away.


As I mentioned in my last letter, all social visits remain on hold. We are also asking all designated family and support visitors to please limit your visits to the care home unless deemed essential to the resident's well-being. If you must visit in person, please call the care home to arrange a time so we can limit the number of people in the care home at one time. Compassionate care visits (e.g. end-of-life) will continue as normal. I would strongly encourage you to reach out to the care home to arrange virtual visits or visit www.gss.org/well-wishes to share photos and messages with those in our care.

Moving forward, we will be providing you with weekly formal communications like this letter unless there is a significant change. In order to stay up-to-date on current case numbers, please visit our website (<https://gss.org/covid-19-outbreak-disclosure/>).

If you have any questions, please contact Sherry Busslinger, site manager, at 780-963-2261. If you call and we do not answer right away, please leave a message, and someone from the Stony Plain team will get back to you as soon as possible.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Sincerely,



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