



October 2021

Georgian Heights Newsletter

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Dates to Remember:

Oct 3
Penny Auction

Oct 11
Thanksgiving Dinner

Oct 19
James S. Music

Oct 25
Halloween Mystery Boxes

Oct 27
Pumpkin Chuckin'

Oct 31
Spooky Social



♥ Connecting with your Loved One ♥

With the cold weather approaching, the outdoor visits will be coming to a close. This doesn't mean you won't get to interact with your loved one as there are many other options! The program department will work together with family and friends to visit via video calls or indoor visits. Just phone the home at 519-371-1441 to schedule. There is also the option of window visits. Bring a cell phone to the window and your loved one can use the portable phone.

Any **Essential Caregivers** who come into our home will receive a rapid swab once a week, even if you are fully vaccinated.

Any **General Visitors** who come into our home will receive a rapid swab every time they visit, even if you are fully vaccinated. (*must call ahead to book appointments*)

Mandatory Vaccination

Getting vaccinated remains the single biggest step we can *all* take to protect ourselves, those we love and our community. As of today, 89% of our team members are fully vaccinated. Almost 87% of our team members have already received a first dose.

To build on our commitment to safety, Georgian Heights has joined with Canada's leading seniors' care providers to announce that we are making COVID-19 vaccination mandatory for team members across Ontario. As of October 12, 2021, team members who are not fully vaccinated will be placed on an unpaid leave of absence.

This mandatory vaccination policy applies to everyone coming into Georgian Heights including vendors, contractors and maintenance staff. The only exception is for family and essential caregivers – if they do not provide proof of vaccination, they must submit to rapid testing upon arrival for each visit.

Thank you for your support and commitment to keeping our colleagues, residents, families and communities safe.

Infection Prevention and Control

Visitors will be asked to follow these IPAC procedures while in the home. If they are not followed, discontinuation of visits may occur.

- Put on brand new surgical mask provided by the home.
- Sanitize hands before entering the building.
- Leave personal items in vehicle (coat, bag, phone etc.) Bring only what you need.
- Visitors who are not fully vaccinated must remain 6 ft from resident/s.
- Must stay 6 ft from all other residents than the one they are visiting.
- Do not remove Mask
- Do not move around the home. Stay in the designated area.
- Do not visit with other residents.



If you have any question or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out.
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