



Cleveland, Monday, July 18th, 2022

Residents, Employees, Family Members, and Volunteers

REGARDING: 129TH WALES COVID-19 UPDATE

Dear Residents, Employees, Family Members, and Volunteers,

We are currently in the seventh COVID-19 wave, which is driven by the highly transmissible BA.5 Omicron variant. This new upsurge is a reminder that the pandemic is not over. Recently, two of our employees tested positive for the virus.

The CIUSSSE-CHUS recently advised us that they will come onsite to administer another COVID-19 booster this fall. The CIUSSSE-CHUS will contact RPA residents or their power of attorney for authorization, and our nurses will do the same for CHSLD residents. Vaccination remains a key defense against the virus; we encourage eligible residents to get this booster.

Please note that we have had to remind visitors daily that they must wear their masks *constantly* while on the grounds, both inside *and* outside. The only exception is if the visitor and resident are seated two metres apart outside. Visitors are not permitted to eat or drink on the premises. Please see the updated table below for more information.

Although we are tired of these restrictions, we know that numerous long-term care facilities are currently experiencing COVID-19 outbreaks. We ask for your cooperation with these measures to prevent another quarantine.

Thank you for your understanding and mutual effort adhering to sanitary measures. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at the coordinates below or visit our website at <https://waleshome.ca/all-the-news>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brendalee Piironen".

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Directives Applicable to the Wales

Visitors		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mask must be worn upon entry • Please wash your hands and apply a clean mask supplied by the Wales upon entry • Masks <i>cannot</i> be removed or pulled down during your visit, either inside or outside • Eating and drinking is not permitted during your visit • Masks must be worn outside <i>unless</i> visitors are seated two metres from the resident • Each resident may welcome a maximum of ten visitors per day 		
CHSLD Visitors	Registration at Door Number One is <i>mandatory</i>	
Visits to a resident on isolation and/or a unit under outbreak	<i>Permitted:</i> a maximum of four primary caregivers must be identified for the resident, and only one can visit per day, although they can visit multiple times in a single day. Primary caregivers must be trained on proper personal protective equipment use.	
Among Wales Residents		
Masks	RPA	CHSLD
	Not mandatory	
Private Services in the resident's room, suite, or apartment	The service provider must wear a mask	