

# Oak Valley Health declares outbreak of COVID-19 at the Reactivation Care Centre

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Today, in consultation with Toronto Public Health, an outbreak has been declared at the Reactivation Care Centre, 5 West.

An outbreak as defined by the Ministry of Health, is two or more laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 cases (patients and/or staff) within a specified area (unit/floor/service) within a 10 day period where both cases could have reasonably acquired their infection in the hospital.

Seven patients have tested positive in connection with this outbreak. Six patients remain admitted, and are in appropriate isolation and are being monitored closely.

As per outbreak management measures, we are conducting testing of patients and staff on the unit and have heightened infection prevention and control measures such as enhanced cleaning of the department and equipment, and ongoing auditing and reinforcement of personal protective equipment (PPE) practices within the department. The unit is currently closed to all visitors.

The health and safety of our patients, the community and our health care workers is paramount. The Infection Prevention and Control team at Oak Valley Health is working closely with Toronto Public Health to ensure that best practice guidance is undertaken.

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