

Media Release - Tillsonburg, ON

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Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital – COVID Outbreak Update

Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital (TDMH), has discontinued admissions to all units except the critical care unit as it fights a COVID-19 outbreak. As of May 8, there are 10 patients and 4 staff that have tested positive for COVID-19. One death was reported Friday related to the outbreak.

"I am deeply saddened to report that a patient at TDMH has lost their life as a result of COVID-19. I want to express my sincere condolences to the family and friends of this individual," said Sandy Jansen, President and CEO at TDMH. "We will take the learnings of our colleagues who have managed outbreaks before us and use that to resolve this outbreak and re-open our hospital to admissions when it is safe to do so. As we see an increase of COVID-19 in the community, we must all do our part and use extreme caution to stop the spread of this virus," said TDMH Chief Nursing Officer, Cheryl Pfaff.

The hospital first declared an outbreak on May 5 on the 2 South inpatient unit. That has now expanded to include the 2 North inpatient unit.

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