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Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital, Declares COVID Outbreak
(Visitor restrictions in place)

An outbreak of COVID-19 has been declared at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital (TDMH) on the 2 South (2S) in-patient unit. The outbreak was declared Wednesday, January 19, 2022. There are currently less than five (5) patients involved in the outbreak who have tested positive. All patients on the affected unit and their families are being notified.

TDMH continues to work closely with Southwestern Public Health (SWPH) to implement enhanced precautions and measures to limit this COVID-19 outbreak to keep our patients, staff, physicians, and our community safe. In addition to existing measures to control the outbreak, TDMH is implementing additional measures including:

- Surveillance COVID testing of all inpatients.
- Symptom Monitoring of all staff working on the impacted area.
- Continued postponement of all non-urgent and procedures.
- Additional visitor restrictions on the affected unit.

It is important that our community does not delay seeking care for any urgent or emergent needs. Our Emergency Department remains open. The protection of patients, staff and physicians remains our top priority and we are doing everything possible to bring a safe and timely end to this outbreak. "We want to reassure the public that our precautions, practices, and protocols to address COVID-19 within the hospital continue to be followed carefully," states Mike Bastow, AHI/TDMH Interim President and CEO. "Our goal is to curb transmission within the hospital as well as protecting the health and safety of our community," says Bastow.

At this time only necessary visitors for compassionate grounds are permitted on the 2S inpatient unit. Current visiting restrictions remain in effect for all other units in the hospital.

The community can help to ensure the health and safety of all individuals at TDMH and within the community by continuing to follow public health guidelines, including staying at home as much as possible, frequent hand washing, wearing a mask, physical distancing, and not socializing with anyone outside of your immediate household.

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