

# INFORMATION BULLETIN

## UPDATE on COVID-19 outbreak on Davies 5 unit at KHSC

**Kingston, ON – July 6, 2021** – Kingston Health Sciences Centre (KHSC) has declared a COVID-19 outbreak on the Davies 5 unit of its Kingston General Hospital site. At this time, nine positive cases have been associated with the outbreak: six patients and three staff members. The unit is under quarantine and closed to admissions and visitors.

The hospital's infection prevention and control and occupational health teams are conducting the necessary contact tracing and swabbing for individuals on the affected unit. This is an ongoing process that takes time as we monitor and investigate the outbreak. Stepped-up housekeeping measures have been implemented including additional cleaning of all high-touch surfaces and common areas. Patients who have been discharged and who are deemed high risk are being followed by Public Health in the community.

Patient care services continue as usual in all other areas of our hospital sites.

“In a situation like this additional cases are not unexpected and we continue to monitor and take all appropriate precautions for the safety of patients, families and staff,” says Elizabeth Bardon, COVID-19 Incident Commander at KHSC.

Members of the public who have symptoms of COVID-19 or concerns that they may have been exposed to the virus can seek testing at the COVID-19 Assessment Centre (Beechgrove Complex). Appointments can be booked online at <https://ygkcovidtesting.coconutcalendar.com/>.

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