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## RAINYCREST RESPIRATORY OUTBREAK DECLARED OVER

Riverside Health Care in conjunction with the Northwestern Health Unit has declared the Respiratory Outbreak at Rainycrest Long Term Care over.

All non-medical absences, transfers, discharges and social activities have resumed. All visitors are now welcome.

Riverside is urging the public to refrain from visiting the Home if feeling unwell to avoid spreading infections to those most vulnerable.

Riverside continues to have our detailed safety procedures and infection prevention control practices in place, which are designed to ensure the health and safety of our staff, the community and those within our care. All visitors are advised to observe the following guidelines in place:

- Clean hands with sanitizer when entering the Home and when entering and exiting resident rooms. As well as following good hand hygiene etiquette throughout your visit.
- Masks are mandatory and must be worn at all times when in the Home. Masks may only be removed when sitting to dine with a resident.
- Maintain physical distancing wherever possible.
- Visitors are to refrain from visiting multiple residents.
- Answer all screening questions honestly.
- If you are feeling ill, please do not visit at this time.

The care and safety of our residents, their families, loved ones and our team members are a top priority. We thank you for your continued support.

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Riverside Health Care is a fully accredited multi-site, multi-function health care system serving the residents of the Rainy River District. Riverside Health Care operates hospitals in Fort Frances, Emo and Rainy River, and Rainycrest Long-Term Care Home and La Verendrye Non Profit Supportive Housing in Fort Frances. Each community is also served by Riverside Community Counselling which provides mental health and addictions services, Community Support Services through Rainycrest and Riverside Valley Diabetes Education Centre which provides important chronic disease management programming. For more information, please visit riversidehealthcare.ca