



Date: November 26, 2020

To: Residents, Families and Friends of Edmonton Chinatown Care Centre

RE: Covid-19 update

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The COVID -19 outbreak has developed rapidly at the Edmonton Chinatown Care Centre. We are working hard to continue to provide up to date information on the website.

Today, Thursday, November 26, we have a total of 21 residents with active COVID-19. Of these, 3 residents are on the third floor and 18 are on the second floor. Sadly, 6 residents have died. One resident has recovered. We know this news is upsetting. All of the management and staff are extremely saddened by the loss of each of these residents. We offer our deepest condolences to the families, friends and caregivers. Testing of all residents continues, as well as staff to reduce the spread of the virus. On November 24/25 we re-tested all residents that were previously tested negative.

Currently, we have a total of 28 staff who have tested positive and many staff who are symptomatic at home awaiting their test results. As a result, many of our staff cannot come to work and we are relying largely on agencies to provide staff to care for the residents. Everyone at the site is working to ensure a safe environment for care. We are testing staff who are on site today and tomorrow.

Our Medical staff team, led by our Medical Director, Dr. Allan Chiu, are providing in-person physician services on a daily basis.

We are making decisions based on the information and evidence available to us. We are adhering to all protocols issued by Alberta Health Services and the Alberta Medical Officer of Health to the best of our ability. Alberta Health Services also has staff on site to help us manage this outbreak. We are doing everything we can to contain transmission of the virus.

On behalf of the Chinatown Multi-Level Care Foundation we want to thank all the health care staff and support workers at ECCC for their dedication and hard work since the start of this worldwide pandemic. Recent community transmission has unfortunately taken its toll on our elderly residents as well as our staff in the past 2 weeks. We send our sincere condolences to all the families and friends impacted, as well as to our own ECCC staff.

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