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Memo

SUBJECT: MH-4B-Covid-19

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DEPT: Infection Prevention and Control

(IPAC)

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Some healthcare workers on unit 4B at Mississauga Hospital have tested positive for COVID-19 between March 26th and April 5th acquired from a number of sources including community-acquired. While we continue to seek a provincial COVID healthcare worker outbreak definition, out of an abundance of caution, we have implemented several measures which include but are not limited to the following:

- MH 4B is closed to admissions
- All patients placed on Droplet/Contact
- Patients to be monitored for any new symptoms especially fever, cough and shortness of breath. Tests will be immediately ordered for patients if those symptoms develop.
- If any staff or professional staff experience symptoms they must immediately report these to their leader and Employee Health Safety and Wellness.
- All assigned staff will be required to work on 4B and no other unit
- Enhanced equipment and environmental cleaning;
- Increased hand hygiene audits
- Increased education to patients and staff
- Visitor(s) restriction policy in effect
- Appropriate control measures have been discussed; implemented with key stakeholders;
- Group activities will be cancelled until further notice
- Unit staff have to immediately report any concerning patient symptoms to MRP

These protocols will be in place for minimum of 7 days then reassessed.

At present, Covid-19 is prevalent in the community. It is very important that staff and professional staff adhere to all infection control practices including hand hygiene, cleaning of shared equipment and appropriate use of personal protective equipment. If you have questions, please contact Employee Health Safety & Wellness or Infection Prevention and Control.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.