

## COVID-19 Information for Employees of TCMH

*This fact sheet provides basic information only. It is not intended to take the place of medical advice, diagnosis or treatment.*

### What you need to know

- Tri-County Mennonite Homes (TCMH) is taking enhanced precautions to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) in its homes.
- Staff, other caregivers, and volunteers with **symptoms of an acute respiratory infection** must not come to work and must report their symptoms to their supervisor.
- All testing for COVID-19 will take place in hospitals or as otherwise arranged in consultation with the **local public health unit**,
- TCMH staff should follow routine precautions as well as contact and droplet precautions when providing health care services to any person under investigation for COVID-19.

**COVID-19** may be introduced to Tri-County Mennonite Homes by individuals including visitors and staff.

### Screening and Triage

As of March 11, 2020, the Ministry of Long-Term Care has instructed long-term care homes to conduct active screening of all staff, students, volunteers and visitors. ANYONE who fails any part of the screening process, will not be allowed in the home and will be advised to contact Telehealth or **local public health unit**.

All employees are asked to self-screen for COVID-19 at home. Anyone with symptoms of an acute respiratory infection, must not come to work and must report their symptoms, (such as fever, cough or shortness of breath).

- See the [self-monitoring](#) information for further guidance.
- See the [latest case definition](#), as well as the up to date [COVID-19 Affected Areas List](#).

TCMH will ensure that the TCMH Sick policy addresses the management of staff, who may have been exposed to a case of COVID-19. If COVID-19 is suspected or diagnosed in a staff member, return to work should be determined in consultation with the **local public health unit**. Staff must report to Occupational Health and Safety prior to return to work.

For more information, please see:

PIDAC Best Practices Information – [Updated for COVID-19](#)

Ontario Ministry of Health – [Control of Respiratory infection in LTC \(2018\)](#)