# Today's Take-Aways

# **Regional Updates**

• There have been some more changes in the long-term care sector that now allow fully vaccinated, asymptomatic individuals to be transferred back to long-term care settings without the need to quarantine or be tested for COVID. This is great news for our impacted patients and will assist with patient flow as well.

# **Critical Care**

• There are currently seven COVID positive patients in the Eastern region's ICUs however none of these are in the Champlain region.

#### **Acute Care**

• Effective today, our dedicated COVID unit on Medical 2A has been closed and the unit has returned to regular Medical program status. If required, the unit can be ramped up again to accommodate COVID positive cases.

# **Visitor Policy**

• Changes to our Visitor Policy were implemented last week and have been welcomed by our patients and families.

## **Human Resources**

• We are in the process of surveying our Volunteers in order to determine vaccination rates and to get an expression of interest from those who would like to return to the hospital to support our programs and services in the fall.

#### **COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution**

• At this point we are down to two remaining scheduled vaccination clinics at the Pembroke Memorial Centre – August 3rd and 12th. Last week, county-wide, there were 850 first doses given so it's good to see that there are still individuals making the decision to get vaccinated. We also know that there are approximately 9,000 Renfrew County residents still requiring second doses so vaccine distribution will be transitioning to some primary care sites as well as pharmacies from the mass clinic setting. To date, the PMC clinic has provided 33,742 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine to those in our region.

#### Infection Prevention and Control

- Updates are being made to the Leave of Absence policy for patients to include COVID-specific guidelines. This will be shared with clinical units once it has been finalized.
- A new policy is in the final approval stage around the use of portable fans by patients. This will be shared with clinical units for reference once it has been finalized.

## **Occupational Health and Safety**

Both staff and patient/visitor screening questions have now been updated and revised.

# **Today's Take-Aways Continued**

Staff and physicians should anticipate a move to fully electronic screening in the near future and prepare for this by ensuring the electronic screening tool can be accessed from their mobile device for ease of use. Instructions on how to do this can be found in the Staff Resources section of the PRH website. More details to come including the addition of a mandatory attestation around screening for all staff and physicians on the eLearning platform.

# **Supply Status**

• While the PPE supply status is stable, we are continuing to feel the outcome of manufacturing challenges and are working closely with regional hospital partners to ensure we are all supported in what we need.

# **Departmental Updates:**

• Thanks to everyone for stepping up and assisting in addressing staffing challenges throughout the organization as we continue to manage summer vacation schedules.

# **Operating Room**

• The scheduled OR slow down will be in effect until August 13th at which point the department will ramp back up to 100% capacity.

#### **Food Services**

• Discussions are taking place around how to safely re-open our cafeteria to the public.

# Information Technology

• Recently, IT had received some calls about the ER\_LABEL printer "printing blanks", this has been due to the wrong type of labels installed in the label printer. Here's some helpful tips on how to identify the differences between the types of labels and their purpose.

# LABELS PRINTER

- -wider core opening than Addressograph roll
- -thinner cardboard
- -no label inside core

# ADDRESSOGRAPH LABELS

- -narrower core opening than Label Printer Roll
- -thicker cardboard core
- -label inside core



# **Today's Take-Aways Continued**

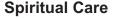
# **Project CAPE**

•The Project CAPE (Caring About Patients Electronically) team is excited to announce that the Emergency Department is successfully using the new LABELS replacing the old BLUE-CARD SYSTEM!!

Special thanks goes to all involved on the Label and Wristband Committee for guiding the process from idea to implementation; (Thea Nicolai, Garry Hartlin, Kimberley Haley, Monique Lafrance-Fleury, Laurie Menard, Rachel England, John Saunders, Kathy Bromley, Dianne O'Connor, Kaley Lapierre and Samantha Moreau). Thanks to Shelley Gowers and Sean Turner (IT department), Garry Hartlin and Thea Nicolai (Project CAPE) for all their hard work to set up and install the hardware and software making this GO LIVE possible and for their support to staff during training and being on hand to fix issues ASAP helping to make the GoLive a success. Thanks to all staff working in the Registration, Emergency and Zone B, for your energy, excitement, patience and valuable communication between the teams.

Other departments that benefited from the training and use of the new Label system were the Lab and Pharmacy.

We are proud to say that this new process has already had a positive impact in the department with improved workflow, reducing time waiting for addressograph, clarity of patient demographics displayed on the label, and reduction of about 100 cards printed from the old noisy Blue Card Printer, (for all of you who have used one, you know what I'm talking about J)



• Our PRH clinical Ethicist, Dr. Hazel Markwell, will be presenting an ethics education session, "Update on Medical Assistance in Dying" at 12 p.m. on August 4th. Everyone is welcome to attend in person in C142 (meeting room capacity limits in place) or via Zoom at:

# Join Zoom Meeting

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85611467369?pwd=M2w5dXYxRGZRV3krMEw3OVpUYVpIQT09

Meeting ID: 856 1146 7369

Passcode: 046468

# GRATITUDE

• Laurie Tomasini celebrated the IT team for the excellent implementation on labels in the ED on July 16th. She said that everyone was there to assist and help staff to overcome any issues. Even though it was a busy day in the ED, the implementation went very smoothly. Thanks to all!



# HAPPY CIVIC HOLIDAY

# Draw Winners! Staff And Physicians Awarded Meal Certificates Thanks To Gift Of Gratitude From Anonymous Donor

Congratulations to the following staff and physicians who have each won a \$50 gift certificate for a local restaurant courtesy of an anonymous donor who wanted to express their gratitude for care received in our ED and ICU. In order to make the process and draws as fair, equitable and inclusive as possible, the names of all staff and physicians from all areas that support these departments were included in the draws.

All prizes can be picked up from the PRH Finance department (5th Floor, Tower A) between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday to Friday.

Annie Jahn (Environmental Services); Stavros Tsimiklis (Pharmacy); Deva Hatchou (ED);
Dr. Tatiana Jilkina; Denise Lewis (Environmental Services); Sharleen Doucette (ICU);
Karen Elliott (Patient Information); Dr. Gregory Mosdossy; Amy Ethier (Lab);
Lisa Brazeau (DI); Sean Bondarchuk (ED); Cathy Moreau (Lab); Rebecca Pearce (ED);
Bryan McWhirter (Environmental Services); Kelsey Gauthier (RT); Lindsay Roosen (DI);
Ayla Dery (RT); Danielle McCluskey (ED); Kerrie-Lynne Wilson (DI); Kristen Stoddard (ED);
Dr. Tarek Naguib; Dr. Anne-Marie Savoie; Brittany Fraser (ED); Dr. Emmeline Legare-Archambault;
Melissa McGraw (DI); Dr. Dan Beamish; Sarah Biggs (Rehabilitation); Katie Sally (RT);
Jessi-Lee Barney (ED); Mackenzie Halliday (Screener); Nyomi Immel (ED); Dr. Philippe Stewart;
Jennie Mainville (RT); Julia Layman (Pharmacy); Tania Charette (Lab); Jesse Gosnell (DI);
Lori Schultze (Environmental Services); Dr. Dorota Szczepanik;

Darlene Keuhl (Environmental Services); Michelle Kearns (Environmental Services)

# PBIA Thanks Clinic Team With Another Sponsored Meal!

With only a few more clinics to go, our team at the PMC continues to enjoy some delicious meals provided by local sponsors. At Tuesday's clinic, the Pembroke Business Improvement Area (PBIA) sponsored a taco and salad dinner catered by Janna & Kerry's.

"The Pembroke Business Improvement Area (PBIA) wanted to say thank you to the hard working staff and volunteers of the vaccine clinics. The PBIA board feels that getting the community vaccinated is one of the most important steps to life back to normal and allowing our businesses to reopen. The community has been wonderful at supporting our local downtown businesses and the PBIA felt this would be a great way to give back to the community on behalf of all downtown businesses. It also allows us to showcase some of our AMAZING downtown eateries."





# PMC Clinic Team Treated To One Last Batch Of Wilkies Sunrise Buns

A very special thank you to Debbie Faught (Wegner), Holly Woermke and Shelly Dumouchel for sponsoring the purchase of Wilkies Sunrise Buns for our PMC clinic team on July 24th.

"Thank you to each and every one of you! Not only have you given of your time and yourselves but also for the camaraderie and friendship we've developed.

This is also our way to support and say farewell to Wilkies Bakery. Thank you! Your sunrise buns have been a fan favourite."





# Do You Have A COVID-19 Question?

Email: covid19questions@prh.email

Would you like to celebrate or express gratitude to a group or individual?

Email:

celebration&recognition@prh.email

For other questions/concerns, contact Infection Prevention and Control (ext. 7106) or Occupational Health and Safety at (ext. 7202).



Next weeks ESTIMATED Jackpot, if the Ace is caught is: \$5500



# WFFK

August 3-6 2021

AUG 2: CIVIC HOLIDAY // CAFETERIA CLOSED

**AUG 3: CHICKEN STIR FRY WITH RICE** 

**AUG 4: HAMBURGER CASSEROLE WITH DAILY** 

VEGETABLE

**AUG 5: ITALIAN CHICKEN DRUMSTICKS WITH** 

SCALLOPED POTATOES AND DICED CARROTS

AUG 6: BREADED FISH WITH ROASTED POTATOES AND

COLESLAW

# Employee Discounts



# Looking for staff discounts?

All staff discounts, employee offers, promotional codes and other PRH perks can now be found on the Staff Resources section of the PRH website:

https://www.pemreghos.org/staffdiscounts

What discounts are there?

PRH Staff Association / Insurance Providers / Local Health and Fitness Facilities / CAA / Scrubs / Access Perks / Perkopolis / Park 'n Fly and more...

# Winners! Staff Awarded Gifts With Purchase From Vendors

PRH has been fortunate to receive a number of exciting gifts with purchase from Uline and other vendors. In order to ensure fair and equitable distribution of these gifts, we put the names of all staff in a draw for the items and the winners are listed below alongside their prize.

Prizes can be collected in B446. Please call 6165 or email carolyn.levesque@prh.email to check if I'm in before stopping by to collect your prize.

# Congratulations to all!

Zero Gravity Chair – **Matthew Savage** (Rehabilitation)

Smokey Joe Charcoal Grill – **Ralph Hatem** (Human Resources)

The Skinny (Pure Glass Water Bottle) – Carleen Clouthier (Medical)

The Skinny (Pure Glass Water Bottle) – **Susan Gagnon-Michaud** (Mental Health Services)

Black and Lime Green Cooler Bag – Andrea Mielke (Clinics)

Klean Kanteen Insulated Tumbler – Laurie Ryan (Maternal Child Care)

YETI Silver Travel Mug – **Brandon Nagora** (Maintenance)

iHome Speaker – **Dorothy Bechamp** (Diagnostic Imaging)

Battery Operated Portable Fan – **Sarah Selle** (Clinics/Lean)

Battery Operated Portable Fan – **Angela Keddy** (Diagnostic Imaging)

# SER

# **PRH Staff Association Treat Day**

Featuring A Pint Of Hugli's Blueberries

# Distribution Times/Locations: Wednesday. August 11th.

11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

(The Lunch Box, Tower A. 2nd Floor)

2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

(B446. Tower B. 4th Floor Link)

## **PLEASE TAKE NOTE:**

- 1. Since it's holiday season, please ensure those on your pre-order list WILL BE HERE to receive their blueberries we base our purchase numbers on pre-orders plus a % extra so there is no wastage.
- 2. Pre-orders should be placed for large groups, however, individuals can pre-order too.
- 3. Pre-order lists must be emailed to <a href="mailto:carolyn.levesque@prh.email">carolyn.levesque@prh.email</a> by <a href="mailto:12 p.m. August 9th.">12 p.m. August 9th.</a>
- 4. Pre-orders can be picked up during the distribution times on August 11th.
- 5. If you don't pre-order, you CAN still pick up your item on distribution day WHILE SUPPLIES LAST.
- 6. Please note that groups who pre-order are responsible for ensuring staff on their lists get their items.
- 7. To ensure we have enough treats for those who want them, please refrain from collecting a treat if you don't want it. Hosting monthly treat days is only financially feasible when not every member collects a treat every month.









# **Current Facts and Figures**

- Renfrew County: 2 active cases, 9 deaths
- Ottawa: 51 active cases, 593 deaths
- Ontario: 10,752 active cases, 9,328 deaths

# **Foundation News**

Pembroke Regional Hospital Foundation



Fondation de l'Hopital Régional de Pembroke



Tickets are now on sale for the 2021 Un-Gala @ Home event on Saturday, October 16th! Buy your tickets before August 30th to get entered into the Early Bird Draw for a custom dining room décor package for the Un-Gala courtesy of Parvati & Athena.

Get Your tickets now here: www.prhfoundation.com/ungala



Catch the Ace is BACK! CTA 3.0 Week 2 has begun!
Get your tickets at the Mural Café on Mondays and
Tuesdays from 9:30am-2pm or online anytime at
www.prhcatchtheace.ca. Draw closes at midnight on
Tuesdays and the winner is announced live on our
Facebook page at 10am on Wednesdays.