

Today's Take-Aways

Regional Updates

- While the work of a number of regional COVID-related committees will continue at this point, a decision has been made to scale back the work of the Champlain Health Region's Incident Command Table – a sign that things are progressing in the right direction. It has been noted that many of the committees have chosen to continue meeting post-COVID as a way of maintaining the partnerships and collaborative efforts that have already taken place.

Visitor Policy

- With changes in visitor policies already taking place in long-term care, hospitals in Renfrew County are exploring the idea of expanding the current policies to allow one visitor per day per patient in addition to an essential caregiver/care partner. More details to come on this.

COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution

- We continue to see a ramp up taking place in regional mass vaccination clinics and continue to have a steady supply of the vaccine as it is rolled out to youth and we commence the early second dose vaccinations for various age groups and others who are eligible. We continue to work through a variety of issues but overall the undertaking continues to be well received in the community as is evident by the number of sponsors coming forward to provide meals and other offerings to our clinic team as a token of thanks.

- In order to help cool the Pembroke Memorial Centre during the summer months, Valley Refrigeration is providing at no cost to the hospital a 15-tonne mobile air conditioner unit which is anticipated to be in place June 7th. CNL has also offered to provide a generator for its operation.

- Starting tomorrow, Ontario has announced that residents who received the first dose of the Astra-Zeneca vaccine and who have not yet received their second dose can mix COVID-19 vaccines if they want. The decision, made in consultation with Dr. David Williams, the province's chief medical officer of health and other health experts, is in line with updated guidance from the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI). This is welcome news for our vaccination team.

Occupational Health and Safety/Infection Prevention and Control

- As more PRH staff receive their second dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, much like the annual flu shot, an ask for submission of vaccination receipts from each vaccinated staff member in order to track vaccination patterns for PRH staff will soon be coming. Along with verification of vaccination will also be an opportunity to acknowledge if the vaccination was declined. All of this information will help the hospital in planning for outbreak situations and also evaluating the long-term need for active screening of staff.

A submission window will soon be launched with prize incentives including a variety of products donated by Uline such as Yeti cups, camp chairs, coolers and more! Stay tuned for more details.

Today's Take-Aways Continued

- A recent audit of staff screening will result in increased messaging to staff at huddles and through other communication methods around the importance of performing hand hygiene, wearing a mask at all times indoors and ensuring that everyone stops at all screening stations.

Other News:

Surgical Program

- As part of the ramp up of our Surgical program, we are excited to share that we have received approval today to restart inpatient non-urgent (elective) surgeries. This is wonderful news for our patients, our staff and our surgeons. Ramp up of these procedures will begin next week and it is anticipated that we should be able to return to 100% capacity by the week of June 14th.

Project Updates

- The Rehabilitation unit has now been working with the new medication carts for a few weeks. The Rehab staff have been working hard to find solutions that improve workflow. Pictured with the medication cart is Marilyn Adam RN showing the new MAR clipboard that is being trialed. After the initial trial some modifications were made to the clipboard to improve how it can be used to meet our needs during medication passes. The clipboard was added to increase work space on the top of the medication cart.



- Did you know? The hospital has purchased 139 Plum 360 IV Pumps with Drug Library for use across the organization. The pumps are similar to our current equipment, with the added feature of an electronic drug library specifically tailored to each unit's clinical needs.

The countdown to the implementation of the new IV Pumps is underway! We have picked a new implementation date of Thursday, June 24. This will be the date that our implementation team will come onto the units to swap the old pumps out for the brand new pumps. One of the members of our team will be our Biomed Technician, Jacob Dickerson. Jacob is very excited about Implementation Day as the current pumps are constantly breaking down.



Here is how Jacob feels now with the current pumps.



Here is how Jacob feels about the new pumps.

- The hospital hosted a successful kick-off meeting with the general contractor, Frecon, to discuss the Cancer Care Renovation Project. This project will transform former offices on Tower A 5th floor North into new sterile rooms where Pharmacy will prepare chemotherapy drugs and other products. The renovation will bring the hospital Pharmacy up-to-date and compliant with pharmacy standards. It will also provide much-needed work space. The construction schedule has yet to be finalized, but we are anticipating a start date in June with a project length of 24 weeks. More on this exciting development to come!

CUE THE confetti

The new IV pumps will roll out on June 22nd!



Want to try it out? Check out the interactive pump simulation on your Citrix

All nurses are encouraged to attend training sessions provided by the IV pump representatives.

Sessions are listed below.

Sign up on the sheet outside of the education office B115



Super User Sessions: 1.5 hours long

June 8th - 0900 & 1330 Room A517
June 9th - 1100 Room D227

General User Sessions: 1 hour long

June 9th - 1530, 1800 Room D227
June 10th - 0900, 1100, 1300, 1530, 1800 Room D227
June 11th - 0900, 1100, 1300, 1530, 1800 Room A517
June 14th - 0900, 1100, 1300, 1530, 1800 Room A517
June 15th - 0900, 1100, 1300, 1530, 1800 Room A517
June 16th - 0900, 1100, 1300, 1530, 1800 Room A517

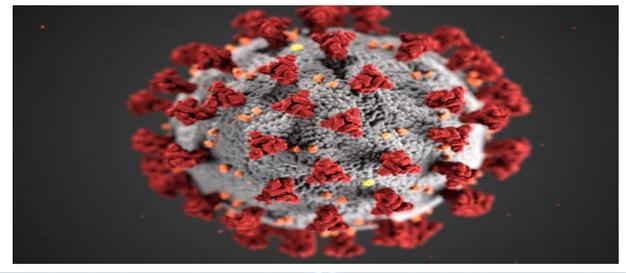
Appreciative Mom Thanks Clinic Team With Chocolate



Saturday's PMC vaccination clinic was mostly attended by 12-17 year olds. Michelle Poff who came with her son brought a big bag of these chocolates with "Thank You" written on every one of them. She passed them out to clinic team members as she made her way through the clinic and then sent the rest of them up to the break room. It was such a lovely gesture that was much appreciated.

Current Facts and Figures

- **Renfrew County:** 21 active cases, 9 deaths, 97,986 tests completed (as of June 3, 2021)
- **Ottawa:** 560 active cases, 574 deaths
- **Ontario:** 18,762 active cases, 8,801 deaths



WEEK #15 WINNER!

Congratulations

Kevin

Pleadwell

\$3,130

Winning ticket #O-2140037
Card #25 - 4 of Diamonds



Thank you to our Drive Thru Sponsors



Have you completed your daily COVID-19 self-screening?

Adding The Staff Screening Tool To Your Mobile Device

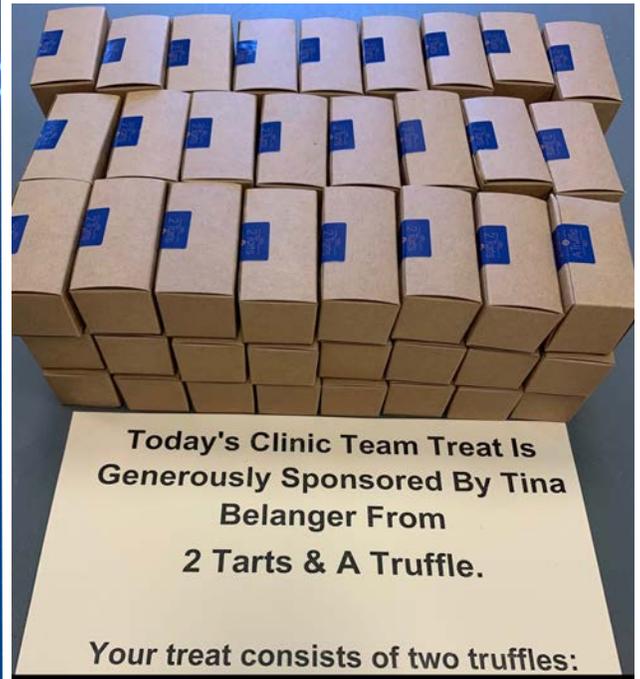
Android:

Launch Chrome for Android and open the website or web page you want to pin to your home screen. Tap the menu button and tap "Add to Home Screen". You'll be able to enter a name for the shortcut and then Chrome will add it to your home screen. The icon will appear on your home screen like any other app shortcut or widget so you can drag it around and put it wherever you like. Chrome for Android loads the website as a "web app" when you tap the icon, so it will get its own entry in the app switcher and won't have any browser interface getting in the way.

iPhone, iPad, iPod Touch:

Launch the Safari browser on Apple's iOS and navigate to the website or web page you want to add to your home screen. Tap the Share button on the browser's toolbar. It's on the bar at the top of the screen on an iPad and on the bar at the bottom of the screen on an iPhone or iPod Touch. Tap the Add to Home Screen icon in the Share menu. You'll be prompted to name the shortcut before tapping the Add button. The shortcut can be dragged around and placed anywhere, including in app folders - just like a normal app icon.

Thank You To 2 Tarts & A Truffle For The Decadent Treat At The PMC



A very special thank you to Tina Belanger of *2 Tarts & A Truffle* who provided boxed truffles for our PMC Clinic team today as a special treat and token of appreciation for the work that they are doing to help vaccinate Renfrew County residents.

Guardian Angels

Dr. John Davies



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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...

Foundation News

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**PRH CATCH
THE ACE**
ESTIMATED JACKPOT
\$65,000

The estimated jackpot is now at \$65,000! Our *Catch the Ace* Mural Café and Drive Thru, as well as all other cash sale locations are closed during the *Stay at Home* order. You can visit www.prhcatchtheace.ca to purchase your tickets. Proceeds support our *Cancer Care Campaign* and we would like to thank everyone for purchasing their tickets.

SPRING LOTTO
FOR HEALTHCARE
2ND EARLY BIRD DRAW
JUNE 9TH



Spring Lotto is in full swing! Purchase your tickets to win a 2021 Princecraft Pontoon boat with trailer and motor. The second Early Bird prize draw is coming up on June 9th for a youth four wheeler valued over \$4,000! Tickets are \$25 for one or five tickets for \$100 and can be purchased at www.prhspringlotto.ca

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European Bakery + Café Ltd.

PRH Staff Association Treat Day Featuring Cherry Cheese Apricot Squares

A popular item at Klaesis, each square is laced with cherry and apricot filling and their signature cream cheese mixture then topped with their streusel topping.

Distribution Times/Locations:

Wednesday, June 9th,

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

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

3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

(B446, Tower B, 4th Floor Link)



COVID-19 MEASURES / Treat Day Etiquette

1. Pre-orders are strongly advised, especially for groups. Individuals can pre-order too.
2. Pre-order lists must be emailed to carolyn.levesque@prh.on.ca by Friday, June 4th.
3. Pre-orders can be picked up by group representatives during the distribution times on June 9th.
4. If you don't pre-order, you CANNOT pick up your list on distribution day WHILE SUPPLIES LAST.
5. Please note that groups who pre-order are responsible for ensuring staff on their lists get their items.
6. To ensure we have enough items for those who want them, please refrain from taking one if you don't want one. *Thank you*



**pre-order deadline is End Of Day,
Friday, June 4th. (Tomorrow)**

GRATITUDE

• AMH would like to thank the **Sunshine Gift Shop** for their donation of hats to the unit so that our patients can safely enjoy being outdoors on the patio in the heat and sunshine! *Cheryl Summers*

• Celebrating **Shannon Reckzin, our patients on AMH and our Maintenance department** who worked together to coordinate planting the gardens on our patio last week. Thank you also to **Home Depot Manager (Luke)** who donated two large containers of flowers when he heard the flowers were coming to the hospital and our unit. It looks beautiful! *Cheryl Summers*

Today's Clinic Meal Once Again Sponsored In Appreciation

Thanks again to Derek Nighbor for generously sponsoring a third meal for our PMC vaccination team.



Health & Beauty Items Gifted To Clinic Team



Thanks so much to Portia Hoffman-Strong of the Urban Lounge in Petawawa who donated a selection of gift items for the Vaccination Clinic team at the PMC.



Our team is certainly feeling appreciated not only by those receiving vaccinations but by the community at large.



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).



THANK YOU FOR KEEPING ME SAFE AT WORK

WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER

Creating a positive workplace culture allows us to feel safe.
Let's work together to ensure we practice COVID-19 precautions at all times

If I have left my goggles on top of my head, please give me a gentle reminder.

