

## Today's Take-Aways

### COVID-19 - Regional Updates

- Public Health is reporting that provincially it appears we have hit the peak of COVID-19's 7th wave and that transmission is on the decline. While Renfrew County's transmission numbers are conclusive, everyone seems cautiously optimistic that we are on a downward trend in terms of case volumes. We are also seeing this reflected in the number of hospitalizations and COVID-positive staff cases.
- Despite the downward trend in transmissions, there continue to be some outbreaks in our region in long-term care settings.

### COVID-19 – PRH Updates

- Our internal Command Centre group continues to meet weekly in order to monitor the situation. As reported previously, we get regular updates from Public Health based on a risk matrix and Renfrew County remains “Yellow” which does not necessitate any significant changes.

### Human Resources

- As part of a re-launch of our Volunteer program, we are excited to welcome some wayfinding volunteers to our Tower D entrance starting next week. We continue to seek other volunteers for this role in particular and, going forward, we will be working to re-introduce more volunteers to our organization to fulfill various roles that help to enhance the patient experience and support our health care team.

- You may have noticed a new recruitment-focused social media campaign that has been launched with targeted ads for various health care roles being posted on our social media platforms each week. (INSERT PHOTO OF AN AD). We are hopeful that these ads will help broaden our recruitment efforts.

### Supplies

- There is currently a global supply issue surrounding epidural catheters. Our supply is stable at this time and we are closely monitoring it as we report to the ministry and work closely with our distributor.

### Infection Prevention and Control

- Regionally, IPAC teams are starting to see an upward trend in those individuals who have had COVID within the past 90 days and are once again symptomatic. It is being looked into whether or not these individuals have residual symptoms or if they are newly-infected.

### Occupational Health and Safety

- We have also been hearing in the news that scientists are now tracking a new, animal-derived virus in eastern China that has infected at least several dozen people.



## Today's Take-Aways Continued

The novel Langya henipavirus (LayV) was found in 35 patients in the Shandong and Henan provinces. Many had symptoms such as fever, fatigue and a cough. We anticipate hearing more about this in the coming weeks.

### Departmental Updates

#### Clinics

- We are excited to announce that our new Internal Medicine Rapid Access Clinic will be accepting referrals starting August 17th.

Led by Dr. Pierre Zakko, this outpatient clinic will provide urgent access to internal medicine for patients who present to the ED and would otherwise require admission, as well as facilitating post-discharge follow-up for admitted patients. The clinic will be running one to two days per week in Tower D.

For more information, please contact Clinics Coordinator Greg Tate at extension 6085.

#### Diagnostic Imaging

- The department is gearing up for a fall replacement of its fluoroscopy equipment.
- Staff are also looking forward to moving from paper-based to electronic requisitions.

#### Emergency Department / Intensive Care Unit

- The department is excited to welcome Advanced Care Paramedics who will be starting in the ED August 22nd and using their skillset to support patient-centred care as part of the team model.

Our ICU will also be welcoming Health Care Aides who will be working as part of the team model there as well, along with some of our Respiratory Therapists who will be expanding their role within the ICU.

#### Food Services

- The team is looking forward to transitioning from paper-based meal tickets to an electronic format.

#### Information Technology

- PRH will soon be migrating to Office 365 for email services. Stay tuned for transition information. Our team will be working closely with all staff to ensure a smooth changeover.

#### Pharmacy

- Our team is looking forward to being able to occupy our new space by the end of the summer or early fall – hopefully just in time for the department's scheduled accreditation survey!

#### Rehabilitation

- The renovated deck is getting a lot of use by patients and families as well as staff looking for a quiet space on their breaks and mealtimes.

#### Surgical

- Tomorrow will be the last day of the OR's second scheduled summer slowdown.
- Today we are celebrating a job well done for the success of our first Day Surgery knee patient! While there will always be small processes to work through, the patient received safe, efficient and effective care and was able to be discharged by 5 p.m. Monday. A post-op follow up call was made the following day and the patient is doing well and is happy to be home!

# GRATITUDE

To include a special message in this section, email [celebration&recognition@prh.email](mailto:celebration&recognition@prh.email).

• The IPAC department would love to celebrate **Sarah Ryan, from Environmental Services**. She was directed to clean a room and supplies that had recently been moved within the hospital. She did an amazing job and we were very happy!! Thanks Sarah for doing your share in helping to keep our patients and staff healthy!! *Jennifer Krieger*

• The IPAC team would like to celebrate **Lori Warren from the Lab**. She always goes above and beyond with helping the IPAC team find results on our patients on surveillance and gathering any information that we are looking for as she is our contact to The Ottawa Hospital lab. We appreciate all the work that you do for us Lori!! *Jennifer Krieger*

• I would like to celebrate the **LDRP team including Shelley Mask, Teena Nagora, Dr. Castillo, Dr. Fadare, Dr. Johnson and Jen Mainville** for all their hard work on LDRP this past Wednesday. We had an unexpected emergency and everyone worked so well and quickly together, with a good outcome. *Rachel England*

• This has been one of the craziest, busiest weeks here in MRI - running 1-2 hours behind every day this week. I would first like to recognize our MRI backbone. We wouldn't be able to do anything without these girls! **Pam, Lucy and Shannon** who have worked really hard to rebook and find spots for just under 200 patients within the next three weeks which is really amazing! They completed this task while keeping up with the already busy daily MRI workflow.

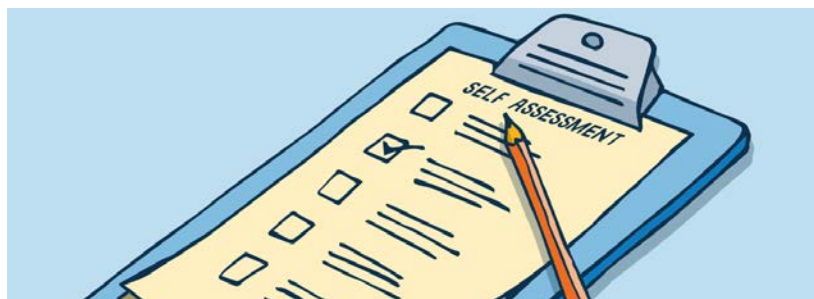
Secondly, I would like to recognize **Kate and Morgan** who, while I was off sick, were able to manage and coordinate patients who had to be rebooked, bookings, Siemen's engineer, maintenance, radiologist, inpatient floors and contractors. I know this task is not an easy one and both did a great job! Lastly, to **Jason, Kate, Hannah, Carley and Morgan** for working so hard this week as a team to scan all these patients, putting them into spaces that don't exist, and missing lunches and breaks in order to keep up with our workflow. Your dedication and hard work does not go unnoticed and it is most appreciated. I have a feeling this month will be a busy one. *Lindsay Roosen*

## Accreditation

As part of our preparation work for *Accreditation 2023*, clinical departments have been completing a self-assessment exercise.

The self-assessment process is a comprehensive review and evaluation of departmental compliance with Accreditation Canada Standards and is a valuable exercise to identify departmental priorities and action plans.

Once finalized, action plans will be shared with departmental staff and physicians.



## Guardian Angel



"Steven (Bromilow) is beyond kind and genuine. My little ones (under 5 years old) have been to the ED a few times unfortunately. Almost each time, Steven has been there. He comes and greets them in such a warm, welcoming, genuine way. He approaches them at their level and takes his time to chat with them and it gives them such a happy distraction. I can tell he is truly passionate about what he does. He will do great things as he continues to grow in his education!"

## Community Fundraiser



A big thank you to Jeremy Connor and *Lumberfest* held July 16th at Finnigan's Roadhouse, for raising \$1,512 for the *Cancer Care Campaign*!

Thank you to everyone involved!  
Can't wait for next year's event.



Week #16  
Estimated Jackpot  
**\$42,000.00 !**

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## Giving GARDEN

Plaques can be purchased for the garden by businesses or individuals and dedicated in memory or in honour of someone special.



\*Have a photo taken with your plaque at the Giving Garden and posted on our social media. (optional)

\*Businesses will be listed with logo on our "Giving Garden" web page at PRHFoundation.com



Individual Pricing

**\$100 / 1 year**

**\$200 / 3 year**

Corporate Pricing

**\$250 / 1 year**

**\$500 / 3 year**

**Special promo!**  
**Purchase before August 31st and get \$50 off the individual 3 year price or \$100 off the corporate 3 year price**

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# CONSTRUCTION CORNER

## Phase Outline For The PRH Day Surgery and Surgical Inpatient Renovations

### Phase 1

- Prep Work: Asbestos Abatement, Mechanical/Electrical Evaluation and work, medical gas lines, water lines etc. This phase has some organizational impacts, in particular Tower A 3rd and 4th floors.
- Construction of a new Chapel, Tower A 1st floor (previous offices A120 A121 and A122)
- Revision of the patient kitchenette on Surgical Tower A, 3rd floor inpatient unit
- New staff room on 3rd floor link, formerly office B361

Anticipated completion date: January 2023

### Phase 2

- Demolition of North and East wing Tower A 3rd floor (old OR and chapel area)
- Construction on East wing, 3rd floor Tower A to include new procedure rooms (endoscopy, MDR reprocessing for scopes, urology/multifunction suite)
- Construction on North Wing, 3rd floor Tower A to include new Surgical Daycare, Registration Area, washrooms and change rooms

Anticipated completion date: Summer of 2023

### Phase 3

- Demolition of West wing, 3rd Floor Tower A (old endo areas)
- Construction of Ophthalmology suite, Medical Device Reprocessing Areas
- Renovation of South wing, 3rd floor Tower A Inpatient Surgical (improvements to washrooms, addition of isolation rooms, private rooms, revision of nursing station, waiting area)

Anticipated completion date: Early 2024

**Please Note: Due to current supply chain constraints and human resource challenges nationally, the timeframes and phases of the project may require adjustment based on the circumstances.**



## EMPLOYEE DISCOUNTS

Looking for hotel and attraction discounts?

**Looking for phone plan discounts?**

Need a cheaper rate for Park 'N Fly?

**Looking for group insurance rates?**

Want to learn more about the PRH Staff Association?

**Trying to find discounts for Canada's Wonderland, Calypso or Logos Land?**

Visit the Staff Resources section of the PRH website!

<https://www.pemreghos.org/staffdiscounts>

# Sunshine Gift Shop

## SUMMER 2022 SALES

**40 % OFF REGULAR PRICES**

**AUGUST 2<sup>ND</sup> TO AUGUST 14<sup>TH</sup>**

**BABY, SLEEPWEAR, SUMMER CLOTHING**

**AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup> TO 26<sup>TH</sup>**

**BOOTS, SHOES, SLIPPERS, FALL CLOTHING & DECOR**

**50% OFF ALL REGULAR PRICED**

**MERCHANDISE AUG. 27<sup>TH</sup> TO SEPT. 2<sup>ND</sup>**

# de TOUR BONNECHERE

**Sunday, August 28, 2022**

**A timed self-supported road ride  
celebrating cycling in the Ottawa Valley**

#### FOUR ROUTES

- 100 k Monarch of the Mountains
- 65 k Bonnechere Beauty
- 50 k Gravel Grinder
- 20 k Cave Coaster Family Ride

**OR:** Create your own virtual  
tour and ride it anywhere

#### LOCATION

All routes depart from  
Legion Field, Eganville

#### REGISTRATION

online at  
[tourdebonnechere.blogspot.com](http://tourdebonnechere.blogspot.com)



Money raised will support initiatives driven by the Renfrew County Mental Health and  
Addiction Planning Table, the Eganville Food Bank as well as the vital work of other  
partner community agencies.



**Congratulations**  
Week #14 Winner

**David Balla-Boudreau**

**\$1,989!**

Ticket #N-2556944  
Card#6 - 4 of Diamonds

Week #15 Estimated Jackpot  
If the Ace of Spades is caught is over: **\$38,000**

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**Congratulations**  
Week #15 Winner

**Mary Smeltzer**

**\$2,437!**

Ticket #O-2902885  
Card#20 - 8 of Clubs

Week #16 Estimated Jackpot  
If the Ace of Spades is caught is over: **\$42,000**

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