

Family Information Update – March 25, 2021

Visits in the Veterans Centre

We continue to follow our pre-arranged schedule for visits with Essential Care Partners in the annex. Contact your Social Worker if you require more information about this visit option.

Vaccines for Essential Care Partners (ECP's) – exciting news in the Veterans Centre

At this time Essential Care Partners have been contacted with an offer to be vaccinated at the Sunnybrook site. If you were not on the ECP list be sure to follow the options for vaccinations that are available to you in your community or local area.

As of March 29, 2021, ECP's who have been vaccinated may participate in a close contact visit two (2) weeks after their first dose. We have some ECP's vaccinated previously that will meet the criteria beginning on Monday, March 29, 2021.

Two weeks following the first dose of your vaccine you will no longer be required to attest to negative COVID-19 test.

When you arrive for your visit bring confirmation of your vaccine and the type of visit will be confirmed. (Physically distanced or close contact)

If you are a visitor who chooses not to receive the vaccination, you may enjoy a physically distanced visit; a close-contact visit is not an option. You will continue to attest to a negative weekly PCR COVID-19 test within 7 days of your visit.

If you have tested positively for COVID-19 and recovered, you may visit, and will be screened for symptoms as per the usual process. We require documentation of the date of your positive COVID-19 test, which can be shared prior to your visit. Please contact your Social Worker for further details.

Please be aware that no test is 100% accurate all the time. Therefore, we recommend you to continue actively self-screening for symptoms prior to visiting your loved one to ensure their health and safety can be maintained. We will continue to follow all safety precautions: wearing a mask, hand hygiene and physical distancing.

Details regarding the visits and testing are attached in the guidelines document.

Care Package delivery

A reminder that care packages for Veterans will continue to be delivered to L-Wing entrance for delivery. It is not an option to drop them off in the annex.

It is preferred that you drop off between 8 am - 4 pm, we will accept packages until 6 pm.

You may mail cheques or use a credit card should you wish to deposit money into your family members account. If you intend to drop off cheques please contact your Social Worker to pre-arrange pick up.

Cheques can be made payable to:

Sunnybrook HSC,
K-Wing Business office, KGC-01
2075 Bayview Avenue.,
Toronto, ON M4N 3M5

Telephone contact for the K Wing business office:

416-480-6100 Ext 3100
Fax 416-480-4376

Fresh Air for Residents

We are thrilled to have warm weather come our way and have opened a section of the garden so that residents can enjoy the fresh air and sunshine. The garden will be open weather permitting as we continue with our spring cleanup and maintenance in preparation for the consistent nice weather. We post the garden hours daily in K and L Wing.

Floral Arrangement Contest

Happy Spring, everyone!

Back by popular demand, we are planning a floral arrangement contest! Each entry will receive a bucket of flowers and a vase to create the arrangements. The floral arrangement will be displayed in Warriors' Hall for everyone to enjoy over the long weekend. Recreation and Creative Arts therapists will work with interested Veterans to create these lovely displays.



Daffodils throughout the center!

On March 31, 2021 every Veteran will receive a potted daffodil for their room thanks to an anonymous donor.

You will see daffodils throughout the Veterans Centre to celebrate spring. What a lovely gesture we are so thankful.

Holy Week Celebration Service

On Thursday, April 1st the Veterans Centre Spiritual Care team has partnered up with the Recreation Therapists to offer a special Holy Week virtual service by Zoom from the Veterans Chapel to Veterans who wish to view this service. The service option will be viewed on the patient care units and will follow the facilities current group health and safety protocols. In addition the team will be distributing a joint Passover and Easter Greetings letter for residents who wish to receive one.