

## Media Release

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### UPDATE ON OUTBREAKS AT WRH

**WINDSOR, ON.** \_ An update on COVID-19 outbreaks at Windsor Regional Hospital:

Last week, WRH confirmed that outbreaks have been declared on both the 4 Medical (4M) and 6 East (6E) units at the Ouellette Campus, and the 4 North (4N) unit at the Met Campus. Today, we can confirm that a fourth COVID-19 outbreak has been declared on the 6 North (6N) at Met Campus.

Below is the current status of each outbreak:

- 4M has had 10 patients test positive, and 5 staff.
- 6E has had a total of 10 patients test positive, and 6 staff.
- 4N has had one patient test positive, and a total of 11 staff.
- 6N has had four patients test positive, but no staff to date.

Admissions to these units continue, with proper cohorting of COVID-19 patients.

Transfers into outbreak units from other inpatient areas must be approved by WRH's Infection Prevention and Control department.

Further testing will continue. Outbreak measures are currently in place on these units. Last month, precautions were implemented across both campuses and on all units to better identify potential outbreaks earlier. All patients are tested for COVID-19 before admission into hospital, whether they are symptomatic or not.

“As previously stated, we expect to experience these situations as COVID-19 continues to spread in our community,” said Karen Riddell, WRH Chief Nursing Executive and Chief Operating Officer. “We continue to remain vigilant in ensuring that we have the correct infection prevention and control guidelines and precautions in place to reduce spread of the COVID-19 virus.”

WRH will provide further updates on these outbreaks as more information becomes available.

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