

# **Gorge Road Hospital COVID-19 Site Protocol**

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- Audience: Island Health acute care leaders and care providers caring for adults at the Gorge Road Hospital Site.
- Indications: To provide guidance for COVID-19:

• Environment:

Site:

- Island Health Gorge Road Hospital
- Site planning.
- Provision of clinical services by the Restorative Health sub-acute program and Long-term Care program in the Gorge Road Hospital.
- Exception:
  - Modification to these guidelines may be required in the event of surge capacity, shortage of staff, beds.

### Need to know:

- This plan is to address the co-location of sub-acute restorative health program with Long-Term Care units as there will a transition of the low intensity rehab unit at Victoria General (7D) to the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of Gorge Road Hospital (GRH).
- The Gorge Road Hospital Tower has 4 floors:
  - First & Second Floor: Long-term Care (LTC)
  - Third & Fourth Floor: Restorative Health Sub-Acute (RH)
- The long-term care units will abide by LTC COVID-19 protocols and guidelines and the Restorative Health Program will abide by the acute care COVID-19 protocols and guidelines.

## Site Planning

What you need to do	What you need to know
<ol> <li>The site will establish a consistent entry point to the facility with support from ambassadors</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Existing entrance for staff/visitors on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor will continue to be used for all staff/visitors to GRH.</li> <li>Ambassadors will follow the <u>COVID-19 Long-term Care Facility</u> (LTCF): Screening by Greeter procedure.</li> <li>LTC and RH will use separate elevators to access the units.</li> </ul>
2. Clinical staff will follow the relevant PPE guidelines that apply to their program area	• <u>PPE Guidelines</u> NOTE: RH clinicians will follow the inpatient guideline and LTC clinicians will follow the LTC PPE guideline

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3.	Clinical staff will follow the relevant protocol If a patient is identified as a person under investigation (PUI) with a COVID-19 swab pending.	<ul> <li>COVID-19 Restorative Health Protocol:         <ul> <li><u>Adult Covid 19 Site Planning, Cohorting and HLOC</u> <u>Transport and Repatriation Procedure</u></li> <li><u>Covid Positive Reporting, Communication and Follow up</u> <u>Workflow</u></li> </ul> </li> <li>COVID-19 LTC Protocol: <u>COVID-19 Response Protocol: Long-term</u> <u>Care Facility (LTFC)</u>.</li> </ul>
4.	Clinical staff will follow the relevant admission protocol based on the clinical program to which the patient is being admitted.	<ul> <li>Long-term Care units will follow the Long-Term Care Access <u>Clinical Guideline</u>.</li> <li>Restorative Health program will complete the <u>Infectious Disease</u> <u>Screener</u>.</li> <li>Note: Restorative Health will not be required to have their patients complete a 14-day isolation period as per acute care guidelines.</li> </ul>
5.	RH and LTC clinical staff will abide by restricted site guidelines and will limit interactions while on shift and providing care to patients	<ul> <li>Staff will keep their work assignments in either the LTC or the RH unit for their entire shift.</li> <li>Staff will follow single site guidelines:         <ul> <li>Provincial Health Officer's (PHO's) Facility Staff Assignment Order</li> <li>Info sheet</li> <li>COVID-19 Single Site Restriction FAQ</li> </ul> </li> <li>Staff Rooms:         <ul> <li>The main staff room is located on the 1st floor in the cafeteria. This will be used by LTC staff and support staff working on 1st and 2nd Floor.</li> <li>The 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> floor sub-acute staff and support staff will have staff rooms in their floor and will not use the cafeteria space during their shifts. The auditorium will be available for this staff.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
6.	All clinical support services, such as food services and housekeeping, will attempt to dedicate their staff to a specific program (RH or LTC) during their shift.	<ul> <li>Staff will limit access other programs during their shift.</li> <li>Food service staff will be assigned to a single program per shift and limit travel from floor to floor. The elevators exterior to the unit are used for food service delivery.</li> <li>Housekeeping staff will be assigned to a specific program for the day and limit travel between programs during their shift.</li> </ul>
7.	All patients and residents will follow required infection prevention control practices and remain on	<ul> <li>Patients on Long-terms Care floors (1&amp;2) will not interact with patients on acute care on floors (3&amp;4).</li> </ul>

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their floor and will not travel between floors during their care at GRH.	<ul> <li>Restorative Health patient information:         <ul> <li><u>Keeping Yourself and others safe while you are in the hospital</u></li> <li><u>Acute Care Adult In-Patient Precautions, Activities &amp; Restrictions</u></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<ol> <li>RH and LTC will abide by current Gorge site essential visitor guidelines as established by the Long-term Care program.</li> </ol>	<ul> <li><u>COVID-19: LTC and Assisted Living Essential Visitor Determination</u> <u>Guideline</u>.</li> <li><u>Social Visiting: Long-Term Care Facility (LTCF)</u>.</li> <li>Social visiting will be at the discretion of the Program Leadership.</li> </ul>

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- 7. Jehiah Chalifour, Manager, Bridgeview, Water view, Arbutus view at GRH
- 8. Site Clinical Operations Directors
- 9. Site Directors

#### Resources

- <u>COVID-19 Intranet Page</u>
- Infection prevention and control (IPC) Protocol for Surgical Procedures During COVID-19: Adult (BCCDC/Ministry of Health)
- Infection prevention and control for COVID-19: Second interim guidance for acute healthcare settings (Government of Canada)
- Infection Control Guidelines on the Management of Critical Adults with COVID-19 (BCCDC/Ministry of Health)

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