

Today's Take-Aways

- A recent communique from Ontario Health directs hospitals not to reinitiate the provision of non-essential services as hospital capacity still needs to be safeguarded for potential COVID-19 cases coming from congregate settings. Hospitals are also being asked to support long-term care and retirement homes assessed as being “at risk” or experiencing a COVID-19 outbreak. Hospitals in Ottawa have already been required to support long-term care and retirement homes in outbreak. While our hospital has not yet been asked to provide this form of assistance, we are about to survey staff to see who may wish to provide support in a long-term care setting should the need arise. Please watch for a survey link which will be disseminated shortly.
- Over the weekend, Ontario Health announced a wage adjustment for frontline workers in the form of a \$4 per hour increase for a period of 16 weeks. Further details will be provided once we receive more detailed guidance documents.
- We know that physical distancing and confinement during this quarantine period are impacting on peoples’ mental health. While difficult for all of us, we recognize that some people are more severely affected than others. If you or someone you know requires assistance or additional resources to deal with their mental health challenges, please visit the Mental Health Services of Renfrew County section on our Pembroke Regional Hospital’s website (www.pembrokeregionalhospital.ca).
- The closure of schools has had an impact on our ability to immunize children in school settings. It is vitally important that routine immunizations for children be kept up-to-date in order to reduce the risk of common and often serious childhood diseases. If you have questions about how to access vaccinations during school closures please contact the Renfrew County and District Health Unit.
- CNL is partnering with the Pembroke Regional Hospital to share their expertise on the safe use of personal protective equipment. They will be providing both virtual and on-site training sessions on the use of PPE based on their extensive experience in high risk settings. Please look for notices on these. A big thank you to CNL for all their support during the pandemic!
- With many people having time on their hands at home during quarantine, today’s video features Case Worker Lisa Schuler from Mental Health Services of Renfrew County with Tips for Organizing Your Home.

<https://youtu.be/acWRRyGur-g>

THANK YOU TO THE OPP FOR THEIR SUPPORT



A special thank you Staff Sergeant Dean Duchrow, left, and Inspector Stephan Neufeld, right, of the Upper Ottawa Valley OPP who stopped by today to deliver signs for our entrances which thank all members of our health care team for the work they are doing.

It's heartwarming to see our fellow first responders coming out to support the work we are doing. We also pay tribute to them for everything they do.

Up-To-Date Facts and Figures

- COVID-19 patients in our care: 6 probable on Medical 2A, 1 probable on Surgical; no confirmed COVID-19 cases at PRH.
- In Renfrew County, there have now been 15 laboratory confirmed cases to date, and one death. To date, a total of 1,477 people have been tested, with 59 still under investigation. For the latest Renfrew County information on COVID-19, please visit www.rcdhu.com.
- In Ontario, there have been 15,381 laboratory confirmed cases of COVID-19 and 951 deaths. To date, a total of 253,040 people have been tested and 6,282 remain under investigation. For up-to-date information on provincial COVID-19 statistics, please visit www.ontario.ca.



Wednesday, April 29th, 9-11 a.m.
in The Lunch Box

PLEASE NOTE - COVID-19 MEASURES

To minimize numbers in the cafeteria, please, where possible, send a representative to get muffins for your group.

You are welcome to take enough for day, evening and night shift staff, just please be mindful of the numbers so that everyone can enjoy a small treat.

Be sure to bring a bag or something, if necessary, to make transport easier.

In appreciation for all that you are doing in these challenging times in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Pembroke Regional Hospital is saying "Thank You" with a Muffin Morning.

A muffin delivery will be made to Materials Management staff and those working in Mental Health Services.



Technical Issues Have Now Been Fixed

A note to staff who are looking to complete their eLearning modules, that the issues with the Organizational modules have now been resolved.



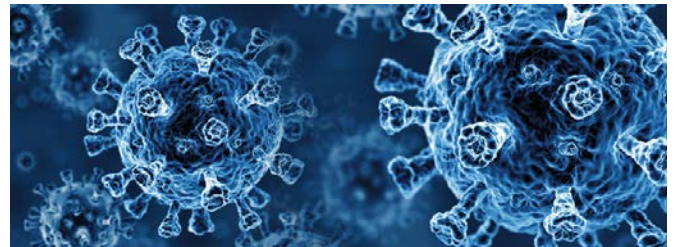
Do You Have A COVID-19 Question?

Email: covid19questions@prh.email

All questions and answers are posted and archived by date on the Staff Resources section of our hospital's website: www.pembrokeregionalhospital.ca

For other questions/concerns, contact Infection Prevention and Control (ext. 7106), Occupational Health and Safety (ext. 7202) or your immediate supervisor.

I pray for all of the staff at PRH every day. I appreciate all the frontline workers who put themselves in danger every day to help us get through this crisis. I really do miss being able to minister to the sick and pray with them. Hopefully we will get through this virus together and come out healthy. I am eager to get back to my volunteering. Keep safe.
Jane Kinney, Eucharistic Minister Volunteer



A HUGE THANK YOU TO THE DOMINO'S PIZZA TEAM

We have so many amazing people in our community. Today we are saying a HUGE THANK YOU to Mitch Reinhart from Domino's Pizza and her entire team who have generously donated vouchers for a free small pizza for ALL of our staff and physicians at Pembroke Regional Hospital.

Mitch, who owns a total of 13 Domino's locations in Pembroke, Petawawa, Renfrew, Arnprior, Ottawa, Alberta and British Columbia opted to donate vouchers so that each staff member and physician can enjoy a fresh, delicious, hot pizza when it's convenient for them and they can select their own toppings based on personal preference. She said her entire team wanted to do this as a way of saying "Thank You" to our entire team!



The vouchers can be used at locations in Pembroke, Petawawa, Arnprior and Renfrew and while the vouchers show an expiry date of June 1st, Mitch said they will be honoured whenever they are used!

Pictured here are some of our staff happily accepting the vouchers from Mitch, front row centre, Justin Roderick, General Manager Pembroke, left holding pizza box and Hayley Roderick, Assistant Manager Pembroke, right holding pizza box.

Vouchers will be distributed this week through your departments.

Thank you so much to Mitch and her entire Domino's staff!

PRH Supply Status

Pembroke Regional Hospital Pandemic Supply Inventory

28-Apr-20

<i>Items targeted during Pandemic</i>		Total Stock
N95 Respirators 1860	4% staff fit tested	800
N95 Respirators 1860S	37% staff fit tested	1,974
N95 Respirators 1870+	50% staff fit tested	564
N95 Respirators 9105		293
N95 Respirators 8110s	3% staff fit tested	182
N95 Respirators 8210	2% staff fit tested	836
N95 Respirators 9210+		204
Mask isolation (ear loop no visor)		21,030
Mask isolation (with tie no visor)		2,750
Mask isolation (ear loop no visor) MOH/Other Supply		11,050
Mask visor ear loop		2,500
Mask visor with tie		725
Gowns Isolation (Level 2 XLg Yellow)		3,306
Full face shield with velcro strap		3,272
Goggles - vented		117
Safety goggles (over glasses)		728
Safety glasses		1,451
Latex-Free Gloves Small - each (vinyl)	13.6%	87,450
Latex-Free Gloves Medium - each (vinyl)	48.3%	104,100
Latex-Free Gloves Large - each (vinyl)	36.1%	162,450
Latex-Free Gloves X-Large - each (vinyl)	1.9%	5,460
Shoe Cover		1,600
Hand Sanitizer 500ml		66
Hand Sanitizer 1000ml		143
Disinfecting Wipes (Accel)		179
Expired N95 1860S		120
Expired N95 1870		400
Expired N95 8110s		420
Expired N95 8210		1,805
Expired N95 9210		520
*Concerns about Supply		

THANK YOU TO PIZZA HUT PEMBROKE

A HUGE THANK YOU to John Mulvihill, owner of Pizza Hut Pembroke, and his team who donated 11 pizzas for staff to enjoy today as a token of appreciation for the work our health care team is doing.

Today's lunch was enjoyed by staff from the Operating Room, Medical Device Reprocessing (MDR), Medical Affairs and our Hospitalist group.



THANKS TO MARY BROWN'S CHICKEN

A HUGE shout out and THANK YOU to Mary Brown's Chicken of Petawawa who donated 30 hot chicken meals and coleslaw for our staff last Friday as a token of appreciation for all that they are doing in these challenging circumstances.

The delicious meals were delivered by owner Lorie Cove, left, and Supervisor Sarah Bowle and were thoroughly enjoyed by staff from Food Services, Infection Prevention and Control and Clinical Education, Information Technology and Materials Management. All meals were allotted through an internal distribution process that ensures all members of our health care team benefit from community-based generosity.



Feeling Overwhelmed?

Recognizing the stress and anxiety that a situation like this can bring about, our Employee Assistance Program (EAP) has experts available to help by calling 1-844-880-9142 or visiting their website at <http://www.worklifehealth.com/>

Mental health workers are now offering free therapy to Ontario's frontline COVID-19 staff. For more information, please visit: <https://covid19therapists.com/>