

## Today's Take-Aways

### Regional Updates

- Patient flow and repatriation processes are currently under review at the regional level.
- Renfrew County hospitals have all adopted the same principles for the Visitor Policy. There is ongoing discussion about how it aligns at the regional level and how it differs from the one at The Ottawa Hospital and others in the region. The policy is reviewed regularly and will be updated when needed.
- Primary care physicians are reporting substantial increases in the number of patients being seen either in-person or virtually.
- At both a regional and local level, there is lots of ongoing discussion about waiting room challenges and how to manage increased volume while maintaining physical distancing.

### Human Resources

- Along with this week's COVID-19 update, we are attaching by email a series of documents with further detail on the distribution of Pandemic Pay by the province. Any questions around Pandemic Pay or these documents should be directed to [covid19questions@prh.email](mailto:covid19questions@prh.email).
- A small number of PRH staff are still deployed to Riverview Heights until the end of July at which point we will enter into a service agreement with the residence to provide RPN support in the amount of 12-16 shifts per month. Marianhill also continues to experience staffing challenges.

### PPE Status

- Our PPE supplies have significantly stabilized across the region. Some challenges remain for specific items. Please see the status report in this week's update for more details.
- Materials Management is in the process of transitioning PPE distribution from A517 to the warehouse.

### Clinical News

- Our hospital is currently over-capacity in terms of the number of admitted patients in our care. An increased number of surgical cases and higher than normal number of ALC (Alternate Level of Care) patients are contributing to this situation. As a result, a new working group has been formed to look at surgical capacity and make adjustments as required.
- As we continue to ramp up services, waiting room space has become a challenge. We are now exploring various innovative ways to ensure physical distancing while managing higher patient volumes. This could include improved configuration, and furnishings, introduction of a pager or texting system, and enhanced cleaning practices. In the meantime, we will be reducing the space between seating and providing those in the ED waiting area with medical grade masks.

## Today's Take Aways...Continued From Front

We are also asking all departments to review how their waiting areas are used using the principle that no one should need to be in waiting areas and rooms if there are alternatives.

- Please note that our COVID champions will no longer be rounding the units or attending huddles/meetings. Most of these educators have now resumed their previous roles. If you require assistance with COVID related concerns, please connect with the Infection Control Team or Kirsten Johnson in order to get the support that is required.

- Our clinical services continue to ramp up. Here is a summary of some of the latest developments:

**Diagnostic Imaging** - continues to ramp up all services while maintaining safe social distances, and is currently operating at 81% of normal capacity. The department anticipates seeing increased volume as primary care visits increase.

**Emergency Department** – is now operating at approximately 70-80% of its pre-COVID volume and is experiencing an increased number of required admissions.

A number of our clinical departments (Rehabilitation, Medical, Surgical, OR/MDR) are all experiencing added pressures due to the number of ALC patients in the building and some staffing challenges.

**Ambulatory Clinics** – is now operating at approximately 85% of capacity. In order to address space challenges, patients continue to be asked to attend appointments alone where possible.

### Food Services

- Hot menu items are slowly being reintroduced in The Lunch Box. The special on July 28th will be a sweet and sour meatball combo. Our chefs are also adding more spice and flavourings to our grab and go sandwich options.

## PRH Supply Status

N95 Respirators 1860	4% staff fit tested	1,877
N95 Respirators 1860S	37% staff fit tested	3,117
N95 Respirators 1870+	50% staff fit tested	167
N95 Respirators 1804		5,100
N95 Respirators 1804s		3,308
N95 Respirators 8105		233
N95 Respirators 8110	3% staff fit tested	821
N95 Respirators 8210	2% staff fit tested	2,660
N95 Respirators 9210+		117
Mask Isolation (ear loop no visor) Level 1		0
Mask Isolation (with tie no visor) Level 1		4,770
Mask Isolation (ear loop no visor) Level 2 (Trico)		71,710
Mask Isolation (ear loop no visor) Level 3		4,300
Mask visor ear loop Level 3		7,849
Mask visor with tie Level 3		1,276
Gowns Isolation - Level 1		4,000
Gowns Isolation - Level 2 XLg Yellow		6,320
Gowns Isolation - Level 3		840
Gowns Isolation - Level 4		460
Gown - Chemo		390
Full face shield with velcro strap		3,970
Goggles - vented		410
Safety goggles (over glasses)		728
Safety glasses		1,396
Latex-Free Gloves Small - each (vinyl) 13.6%		93,450
Latex-Free Gloves Medium - each (vinyl) 48.3%		451,500
Latex-Free Gloves Large - each (vinyl) 35.1%		262,800
Latex-Free Gloves X-Large - each (vinyl) 1.9%		2,600
GLOVE NITRILE SMALL		16,510
GLOVE NITRILE MEDIUM		11,400
GLOVE NITRILE LARGE		25,000
GLOVE NITRILE X-LARGE		18,000
GLOVE 12" SMALL NITRILE		1,450
GLOVE 12" MEDIUM NITRILE		500
GLOVE 12" LARGE NITRILE		4,450
GLOVE 12" XL LARGE NITRILE		250
Shoe Cover		3,150
Hand Sanitizer 500ml		280
Hand Sanitizer 1000ml		0
Disinfecting Wipes (Accel)		225
Expired N95 1860S		680
Expired N95 1870		1,880
Expired N95 8110s		415
Expired N95 8210		2,429
Expired N95 9210		160
Expired N95 Other		1,705
*Concerns about Supply		



Rehab Deck Project: All the pink insulation on the roof has been removed. The drains were cleaned out using high pressure water. The rubber membrane was inspected and patched in some areas with a Blueskin waterproofing membrane product. The rain has been an ongoing concern and challenge while we keep up with new leaks in the Outpatient Rehabilitation area. Work has started in prepping the perimeter along the walls to receive material for sloping the water away from the building.



# VIRTUAL VACATION

## Bulletin Update

*The greatest wealth is health – Virgil*



Philosophers and laypeople have known for centuries that **physical exercise is key to our overall wellbeing**. In our technologically-driven society, we must make a more conscious effort to include physical activity into our daily life. Find ways to **add movement to your day**. Take the stairs, not the elevator. Park in the D'Youville parking lot and walk the few extra blocks to the hospital site. If you are in a more sedentary job, arrange more standing or walking meetings to encourage exercise and movement in the office.

Check out the PRH YouTube channel for stretching examples!



**Giving to our Community**  
*July 15- August 7*  
As part of our summer wellness campaign, we will be collecting items for the **Young Parents Support Program at Columbus House**.



We are looking to collect items for their **welcome & wellness package**: books, toys, and diapers for infants and toddlers and masks, hand sanitizer, and self care products for the parents. Items must be brand new and in original packaging. *Cash donations will not be accepted*. Collection boxes can be found throughout the hospital and at Carefor.

### Follow Fern July 6- August 28

Last week Fern travelled **553 Km!**  
*Cumulative: 886km*

Fern kicked off our campaign July 6<sup>th</sup> as we **collectively travel** around the world. *'Clock-in' all of your travelling distances as you enjoy any type of physical activity.*



**On FRIDAYS Submit** your Km's on The Loop or [celebration&recognition@prh.email](mailto:celebration&recognition@prh.email)

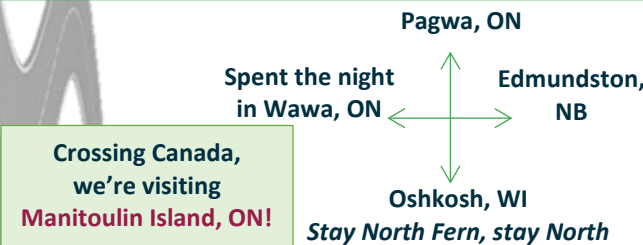
The time has come, the **scavenger hunt is ON!**  
Find items in your departments and work environments as a team or solo to spell out....

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

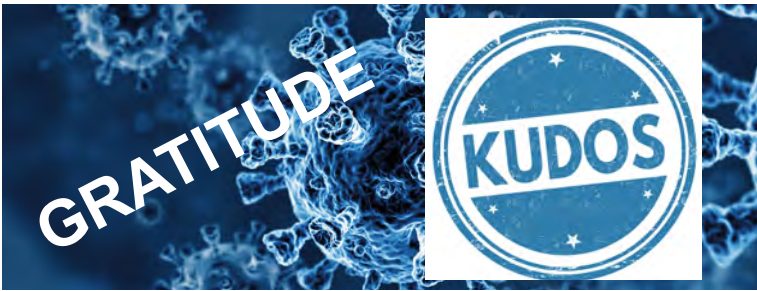
# GIVING



*Find an item related to the letter AND snap a photo!* Submissions will be shared. The **hunt** will take place over a two week period from July 15 – July 31<sup>st</sup>



**Collection boxes for our "Giving to the Community" drive can now be found in the following locations:**  
Mental Health Services of Renfrew County (Carefor office) • Medical Affairs (1<sup>st</sup> floor, Tower B) • Maintenance Office (2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Tower B)  
Tower D (1<sup>st</sup> floor reception) • Dianne O'Connor's office (4<sup>th</sup> floor, Tower A) • Carolyn Levesque's office (4<sup>th</sup> floor link)  
Finance office (5<sup>th</sup> floor, Tower A) • Diagnostic Imaging (Ground floor, Tower B)



**Pharmacy**

Thank you to **Anna and Grace** for working so hard to transition a patient on home TPN to our hospital product.

**Surgical**

Thank you to **Tammy and Patti** for coordinating efforts to ensure we had enough help to safely care for a patient who needed paracentesis.

Thank you so much to **Shannon from Maintenance** for putting in the air conditioner near the staff entrance to cool down this area for the screeners. They are very appreciative and very thankful.

*Trudi Wren*

**Healthcare Heroes**



In response to overwhelming community support for frontline and essential workers at PRH, on June 1st the PRHF launched a month-long campaign to raise funds to celebrate and recognize the hospital's 775 staff and 90 physicians with a commemorative Health Care Hero pin.

During the week of July 13th, the pins and cards of thanks were distributed to all through their managers, and on July 16th, all available staff and physicians were invited to attend a special recognition photo.

Thank you for all that you do!

**Current Facts and Figures**

- **PRH** - 0 COVID positive patients
- **Renfrew County:**
  - 0 active COVID cases
  - 1 death
  - 16,872 tests completed
  - For more detail visit [www.rcdhu.com](http://www.rcdhu.com).
- **Ontario:**
  - 4,295 active COVID cases
  - 2,755 deaths
  - 1,934,099 tests completed
  - For more detail visit [www.ontario.ca](http://www.ontario.ca).



**No, seriously, we want to know. How ARE you doing?**

Need assistance with coping... a spot to talk?

Employee Assistance Program (EAP) 1-844-880-9142 or [www.worklifehealth.com](http://www.worklifehealth.com)

**Bicycle Storage Space Now Accessible To Staff**

The bike parking hallway behind the Lunch Box has been opened for staff who want to ride their bikes to and from work.

Staff can park their bikes in this hallway and then enter the building wherever screening is taking place.