

## MEDIA RELEASE



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## "Influenza-A Outbreak declared for Campbellford Memorial Hospital"

## News:

CMH, in consultation with the HKPR Public Health, has declared an influenza-A (respiratory) outbreak on the Medical-Surgical Unit Saturday March 17<sup>th</sup>.

As a result of this declaration, we recommend visitor restrictions to one patient per visit, effective immediately, and will continue for the duration of the outbreak.

The symptoms for this illness include fever, sore throat, cough, body aches, headache, chest and/or nasal congestion.

Restrictions include:

• Visitors should avoid the first floor unit, especially if they feel ill or have a compromised immune system. They are to take necessary precautions as prescribed by staff when visiting.

CMH expects all staff and visitors to be diligent in practicing infection prevention and control practices including hand hygiene and cough etiquette when visiting the hospital at any time. Frequent hand washing, particularly before and after patient contact, is mandatory and vital to reducing healthcare associated infections.

Updates will be provided as information changes.

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