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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Visitor Restrictions in Place on Unit at St. Clare's Mercy Hospital

February 10, 2021 – St. John's, NL: Eastern Health advises the public that visitation is temporarily suspended on unit 6 East at St. Clare's Mercy Hospital after an employee on that unit, who was asymptomatic, tested positive for COVID-19.

There is no known impact to patients at this time. All patients on the unit have been put on isolation and will be tested between day five to seven of the exposure.

The number of staff potentially impacted is also not yet known. Occupational Health is reaching out to employees who are contacts of the individual and will provide further guidance on testing and isolation.

Eastern Health continues to be diligent in its management of this public health emergency. Upon testing positive, the employee was immediately sent home to isolate. Enhanced cleaning protocols have been implemented and required personal protective equipment protocols for patients on isolation are being followed.

Quality care remains a priority for Eastern Health as we continue to work through this pandemic with the support and cooperation of the public. Patients who require emergency care and those with confirmed scheduled appointments should continue to proceed to the hospital for care.

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