

Pembroke Regional Hospital

MEMO

To: All Staff and Physicians
From: Infection Prevention and Control and Occupational Health and Safety
Date: June 9, 2022
Subject: Masking and COVID-19 Safety Measures To Remain In Place At PRH

While the province-wide mask mandate for high-risk settings is set to expire June 11th, our hospital will continue to require universal masking for all staff, physicians, volunteers, visitors, essential caregiver/care partners, and contractors/vendors.

Patients who are able should also continue to mask when any health care worker or visitor is within close contact.

Other PPE requirements will remain in effect, including the use of N95 fit-tested and seal checked respirators on all COVID outbreak units and when providing care to patients with suspect or confirmed COVID-19 as well as eye protection for all interactions with patients and visitors.

PRH will continue to collaborate with its partners on a regional approach around changes to some of the other safety measures which includes screening practices. At this time, however, there will be no changes to current practices or policies. This means that electronic screening must continue prior to each shift or when entering the facility.

Continuing to follow masking and appropriate use of PPE while also screening for symptoms in some form is an effective way for hospitals to ensure a safe environment for patients and staff, while limiting the risk of transmission and outbreaks.

We will continue to share and communicate changes as they become available.

A press release with similar messaging is also being issued today.