

## Memo

**To: Individuals and Families supported by Community Living York South**

**From: Don Wilkinson, Executive Director**

**Date: April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020**

I am writing this latest memo to update you on how COVID 19 is impacting Community Living York South (CLYS) and our recent efforts to combat the virus.

Our dedicated essential staff team is providing excellent care and support to help people stay well and also manage through the lockdown that we are all working within. We are following all directive and precautions from the experts at Public Health. We have personal protective equipment in place for staff and people we support and we have a staff member who is working daily to place orders to keep our supplies available. We are thankful beyond words for our heart centered staff team who are making a tremendous difference every day!

You may be aware that there are many outbreaks reported in long term care residences, retirement homes and group homes. These outbreaks are listed on the York Region Public health website, along with much more helpful information about COVID 19. To date, CLYS has had one staff that has tested positive for COVID 19. The staff worked at one location only; all people impacted and families were immediately notified. Immediately upon CLYS being notified of the positive staff test result, all additional personal protective equipment measures were put in place for our staff and people supported at the home, York Region Public Health was notified and we have been working closely with them to ensure we are doing all we need to in order to support people to stay well. Currently, no other staff or people supported at the home are showing symptoms of COVID 19. CLYS has a screening process in place for all staff and people supported. We will continue to have due diligence and vigilance in our efforts against COVID 19 for the well-being of all people we support, staff and our community.

If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to us and we will be back in touch with you ASAP.

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