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Lake of the Woods District Hospital RSV Outbreak

Kenora, ON, February 21, 2024 – Lake of the Woods District Hospital (LWDH) is currently experiencing an RSV (Respiratory Syncytial Virus) outbreak. The outbreak is currently affecting 3E – Med/Surg/ICU. The LWDH Infection Control team is investigating the origin of the outbreak and is working collaboratively with the Northwestern Health Unit to ensure effective control strategies.

The health and safety of our patients, their families and our entire hospital team is our utmost priority. Considering the outbreak, visitor restrictions have been implemented to the affected unit. The restriction is effective Wednesday February 21, 2024 @1300hrs until further notice. Limited exceptions may apply to end of the life patients as well as other extenuating circumstances. Any exceptions will be determined by the unit manager or delegate. Universal masking is required while on the outbreak unit and be mindful of mask etiquette if you have to don a mask.

Your patience and understanding is appreciated. LWDH will provide updates on the outbreak as we are able to.

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