



**COVID-19  
Resident Update - September 10, 2020**

As you may be aware, COVID-19 virus numbers have been steadily increasing in the last few weeks. Dr. Bonnie Henry has indicated that we are now in the 'second ripple' of cases for the province and she is asking us to be extra vigilant once again.

We are asking all residents to please continue their co-operation to keep us all safe. This includes sanitizing your hands, maintaining the recommended physical distancing of 6 feet (please keep reminding each other, including helping staff to remember); and, wearing masks, whenever you cannot maintain physical distancing, for example in the elevator.

4 people can travel in the elevator if ALL are wearing masks, otherwise 2 people is the maximum number. Your mask must be in place before entering the elevator. While we can't force people to wear masks, doing so speeds up your arrival to and from meals.

Please keep in mind that some people are unable to wear a mask, for any number of reasons. Some people are vision impaired and not able to see how many are in the elevator or if they have masks on. Please be understanding and gentle, knowing that we are all trying to do our best in these difficult times.

Information about social visiting has previously been sent to all residents, and posted on the [www.dawsonheights.ca](http://www.dawsonheights.ca) website for the information of family and friends. Please review this information and if you have any questions do not hesitate to speak to staff at the front desk. Social and Essential visits must be booked with staff at the front desk.

Through the summer there have been larger gatherings of visitors outside. We have previously been more relaxed about outside visits but these larger gatherings of visitors must stop with stricter safety requirements from Island Health. We are required to apply the recommended safety standards across our property, even outside. While we would prefer not to have to monitor the grounds, any such gatherings, when seen, will be asked to disperse.

Please remember, we are in this together, what one does can and will affect the whole of our community. Let us model good practice for each other. And, as we do so, let us remember what Dr. Henry says, "be kind, be calm and be safe".

Now for something completely different. Our roof is in need of replacement and the work will begin later in September. You may experience some noise during daytime hours while the work is being done. It is expected to be completed over about a month just in time for the rainy season.