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Halton Healthcare Maintains Mask Mandate

Oakville, ON – As of June 11, the provincial government is lifting mandatory masking mandate in select high-risk settings, while allowing organizations to continue masking along with other safety protocols as they choose.

With the safety of our patients and staff, physicians and volunteers in mind, Halton Healthcare will maintain its masking policies and procedures for all visitors and members of our healthcare teams across the organization, including our three hospitals – Milton District Hospital, Georgetown Hospital and Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital.

“Masking will continue in our hospitals and community clinics as part of our enhanced infection prevention efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19,” says Cindy McDonell, Senior Vice President, Clinical Operations at Halton Healthcare. “This is an added layer of protection for our patients, some of whom are elderly or have compromised immune systems, as well as our team members.”

Despite experiencing lower community levels of COVID-19, everyone entering Halton Healthcare facilities will be asked to continue to wear a mask beyond June 11, 2022, aligning with many other hospitals in Ontario. Other protections for patients, staff, physicians, volunteers and visitors also continue, including, answering standard screening questions and hand sanitizing. Halton Healthcare continues to review all COVID-19 safety protocols on a regular basis.

“If visitors arrive without a mask, they will be provided with an appropriate one,” continues Ms. McDonell. “We do appreciate the support of our communities – and we thank everyone for continuing to understand that what we’re doing is for the safety of our patients and our staff.”

For up-to-date information related to our COVID-19 safety protocols, please visit:
www.haltonhealthcare.com

About Halton Healthcare

Halton Healthcare is a healthcare organization comprised of three community hospitals - Georgetown Hospital, Milton District Hospital and Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital, along with several community programs and services. Together we provide healthcare services to nearly 400,000 residents in the communities of Halton Hills, Milton and Oakville. Halton Healthcare has been recognized for its best practices in a number of patient safety and patient care initiatives. For more information, visit www.haltonhealthcare.com. Follow us on Twitter @HaltonHlthcare, Facebook and Instagram.

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