



## **Impact of COVID-19 to AGH Staffing and Services: Winter 2022**

The spread of COVID-19 in Ontario, including in our small community, is beginning to impact many organizations including Atikokan General Hospital. We currently have employees that are isolating due to testing positive themselves or having family members who are required to isolate. AGH is **not** in an outbreak at this time because there is no evidence of transmission in the workplace. We want to reassure our community that AGH continues to follow Public Health and Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care Directives and that staff, residents, and patients' safety remains our top priority.

However, there are some realities that we need to be prepared for as a community because our battle right now is maintaining adequate number of staff to keep our doors open. Possible impacts include reducing services to essential only or fully closing services if we hit critical staffing shortage. Should this occur, we will notify our community through social media and paper distribution such as the Atikokan Progress or sending letters to the Post Office.

Please be assured that we are doing everything we can to reduce service disruptions to our community. We believe it is important, however, to keep you informed of the situation

We also want to remind our community members that AGH will never share any personal or identifying information. We urge you to continue to follow Public Health guidelines and let us all do our part in preventing more COVID-19 spread in our community.

If you have questions or concerns that we are able to help you with, please call 8075974215 ext 284 or email [feedback@aghospital.on.ca](mailto:feedback@aghospital.on.ca).