



## **PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT - Friday, March 12, 2010**

### **Update – B6 MRSA Outbreak Declared Over**

As follow-up to a February 24 public announcement, the outbreak of Methicillin Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) on B6 – a medical unit at PRHC – has been declared over.

No new cases were identified from either of the prevalence screens (screening all patients on the unit for MRSA) completed on Tuesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> respectively.

Two (2) cases related to this outbreak remain in hospital. Please note: The patients affected by this outbreak are carriers of the bacteria and have not developed infections.

Throughout the outbreak, PRHC remained fully operational and programs and services across the hospital were unaffected.

As always, all visitors are asked to fully comply with appropriate hand hygiene and infection prevention and control practices when visiting the hospital; it is mandatory and vital to reducing healthcare associated infections.

### **For questions or concerns, please contact:**

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