



PUBLIC NOTICE - March 31, 2010

Four patients experiencing respiratory symptoms on B4

A cluster of four (4) patients are experiencing respiratory symptoms (cough, malaise and/or fever) on one medical unit at PRHC, which is therefore considered an outbreak. The cause of the outbreak has not been determined and testing is currently underway.

PRHC remains fully operational and programs and services across the hospital remain unaffected. Visitors are still welcome and visiting hours are unchanged.

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.

Several additional infection control measures have been put into place on B4, including:

- Patients with symptoms are placed on “Droplet/Contact Precautions” (isolation). All patients on Droplet/Contact Precautions are to remain in their room unless where medically indicated.
- Additional environmental cleaning of the entire unit is underway.

Test results are expected by the end of the week. Further public updates will be posted on an as needed basis.

For questions or concerns, please contact:

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