

Memo

To: Long Term Care Homes and Retirement Homes, Coroners, Paramedic Services, and Funeral Homes
From: Sarah Titmus
Date: February 1, 2022
Re: COVID-19 Data Supports from Across Sectors

Dear Colleagues and Partners from Across Sectors in Haldimand and Norfolk:

As the Omicron-driven COVID-19 wave continues in Haldimand and Norfolk counties and across Ontario, the Provincial direction to shift case and contact management has been implemented locally. A media release was shared with the public and can be accessed [here](#) on the HNHU website.

These changes have limited the case and contact management practices that have informed our data collection processes to date. Therefore, the HNHU is requesting your support with critical data collection around fatalities.

This letter requests that you share with the HNHU all fatalities that you become aware of, effective immediately, since January 1, 2022, who were COVID-19 positive at the time of death.

The requested information would include the name, date of birth, physician or attending physician in hospital, and date of expiry (Please see template on the next page). This information should be sent to the HNHU via fax at 519-426-9974 as soon as possible when you become aware of a fatality.

We recognize that some of you have existing processes in place to make the HNHU aware of a COVID-19-positive fatality. We ask that you supplement any existing processes with this form to eliminate any potential gaps in data.

Your support in helping us report as accurately as possible the public health situation in Haldimand and Norfolk is appreciated.

If you have any questions, please contact the COVID-19 hotline at 419-426-6170 x 9999.

Thank you for your help with this,

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Notification of Fatality

Attention: COVID-19 Program Assistant and Epidemiologist

Submit via Fax to HNHU: 519-426-9974

Today's Date:

Form Completed by:

Patient's Name:

Date of Birth:

Physician or Hospital Attending

Name:

Contact Number:

Date of Expiry: