

Half of new COVID-19 cases in Kawartha Lakes and Northumberland due to outbreaks at long-term care homes

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Medical officer of health says all area long-term care residents to be vaccinated by February 5

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Caressant Care McLaughlin Road is a 96-bed long-term care home in Lindsay. (Photo: Google Maps)

COVID-19 cases in the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge (HKPR) District Health Unit remain in an upswing, primarily due to worsening outbreaks in area long-term care homes.

“Because of the restrictions that are in place, we are seeing quieter days sometimes, but we still have had over 150 cases in the last two weeks,” said Dr. Ian Gemmill, acting medical officer of health, during a virtual media briefing on Wednesday (January 27).