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PETERBOROUGH REGION

323 new COVID-19 cases in Northumberland County, 227 in the City of Kawartha Lakes; five new outbreaks declared

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The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit's cumulative confirmed COVID-19 cases have topped the 4,000 milestone after 323 new cases in Northumberland County, 227 in the City of Kawartha Lakes and 54 in Haliburton County since Thursday were reported Monday.

There are now 1,116 active cases — 618 in Northumberland County, 410 in the City of Kawartha Lakes and 88 in Northumberland County — and that's more than one quarter of the total of 4,060 cumulative confirmed cases since the pandemic began in March 2020.

The latest case totals underestimate the tally because as of Friday only individuals in high-risk settings across the province qualify for PCR testing. Everyone else with COVID-19 symptoms should assume they have the virus and self-isolate for at least five days.

While no new deaths were reported, there are two new hospitalized cases in the jurisdiction. There are now five hospitalized cases in the jurisdiction with three in intensive care units.

Five new outbreaks have also been declared at Caessant Care's Mary Street nursing home in Lindsay (which has three active staff cases), Caessant Care's McLaughlin Road long-term-care home in Lindsay (which has one active resident case and one active staff case), Warkworth Place long-term-care home in Warkworth, Access Community Service congregate living home in Port Hope and a Christian Horizons group home in Cobourg.

Ongoing outbreaks continue at two other Christian Horizons group homes in Cobourg, Hope Street Terrace retirement home in Port Hope, Golden Plough Lodge in Cobourg, Northumberland Hills Hospital in Cobourg, Spring Valley Public School in Brighton and Warkworth Institution (which had 48 active cases as of Friday).

The jurisdiction's seven-day case rate has mushroomed to 459.2 cases per 100,000 residents, up from 285.7 on Thursday.

Peterborough Public Health last reported its totals on Friday, when the jurisdiction had a record-high 746 active cases, and will not have an update until Tuesday.

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