

REACH Niagara Provider Meeting Minutes

Dec. 20, 2021

Here are notes from today's provider meeting:

1. **Omicron:**

- a. We have Level 3 masks - with and without integrated shields on the mobile unit and David is distributing them to our shelter clinics. Please use them; also ensure patients wear regular masks - provided by the shelters or on the mobile clinic.
- b. Gowns: disposable on the mobile clinic; washable for the shelters.
- c. We'll be getting rapid antigen tests - perhaps most useful for patients with symptoms who haven't been tested, to determine whether to gown up, talk with them outside, etc.
- d. if you have access to N95 masks - please bring and use them, particularly for symptomatic patients
- e. shelters are closed to people who are not sleeping there (again)

2. **Wound care** kit and povidine have been added to the mobile clinic - with extra medical supplies under the seat in the front room.

3. Our **vaccine fridge** is working. Please log temperature at the beginning and end of each day (2 readings per day) - and reset the min/max temp on the thermometer.

4. the small **heater** for the front room was blowing fuses in multiple locations. It's under the front passenger seat in the cab - please use in emergencies only - ie when the main heater isn't working. Keeping the door between the rooms ajar when possible helps keep the front room warm.

5. **Adult ADHD:** We've seen a lot of requests for treatment of adult ADHD. The general consensus is that we don't do this. Option could be to refer to Dr. Kimakovic at the hospital (RAAM clinic). If patients have a documented history dating from childhood, and are currently in school, or in a job where concentration is required, then I'd consider it; even then a referral to Dr. Kimakovic to confirm might be a good idea.

6. Next meeting Monday Jan 10 at 4pm

* Only Southridge is closed to visitors, and I've asked that they make an exception for people seeking healthcare