

# Communiqué de presse

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## The COVID-19 outbreak at the Laurentian Hospital has ended

**Sainte-Agathe-des-Monts, October 19, 2020** – The CISSS des Laurentides is happy to inform its population that the COVID-19 outbreak at Laurentian Hospital in Sainte-Agathe-des-Monts has ended. There has been no new case of transmission within the hospital for 14 days.

Ms. Rosemonde Landry, President and Executive Director of the CISSS des Laurentides, emphasizes that the mobilization and sustained efforts of the staff and medical personnel to constrain the spread of the virus were the key factors in bringing the situation under control.

In addition to the recommended prevention and protection measures applied by the infection prevention and control teams and the hospital's microbiologists, the CISSS des Laurentides acted on several fronts at once, adding personnel, increasing the frequency of cleaning and disinfection procedures, mass testing and daily monitoring.

"I am happy about this news, but we must continue our fight against COVID-19 as it is far from over. We will continue our efforts and it remains essential to apply all the infection prevention and control measures to ensure the safety of our personnel and hospitalized patients," said Ms. Landry.

As the Laurentians are now red and orange zones, visits to hospitalized patients or residents in long-term care facilities have been restricted to informal caregivers. All the information regarding visits to the hospital during the COVID-19 pandemic can be accessed on the CISSS des Laurentides website <http://www.santelaurentides.gouv.qc.ca/sante-publique/maladies-infectieuses/covid-19-coronavirus/coronavirus-disease/visiteurs-new/>.

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