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No residents affected as COVID-19 outbreak ends at Yee Hong Markham Centre

MARKHAM – York Region Public Health declared the COVID-19 outbreak is over at the Yee Hong Markham Centre on April 20, 2020. Vigilant staff, early intervention and effective mitigation strategies helped contain a single case at the Centre after an employee tested positive for COVID-19. No residents of the Markham Centre were affected by the virus.

COVID-19 was detected in one employee of the Centre on March 28, 2020. Yee Hong implemented isolation protocols and sent co-workers home to self-isolate as a precaution. Three weeks later only one person, the original employee, tested positive despite dozens of resident and staff tests. Our colleague is recovering well at home.

The entire Yee Hong team pulled together to implement a comprehensive safety plan. The Markham Centre’s experience shows the plan is working: despite a positive employee test, the virus did not spread to residents or co-workers.

This is a case where exposure to the virus occurred in other healthcare facilities. In March Yee Hong adopted a “One Employer” policy to eliminate this risk from our operations.

We continue to adjust our policies at each site as conditions change locally, and protocols are in place to actively screen employees entering Yee Hong buildings to ensure the safety of our residents and staff. Please consult <https://www.yeehong.com/covid-19/> for the latest information about building access, schedules, and safety provisions.

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