



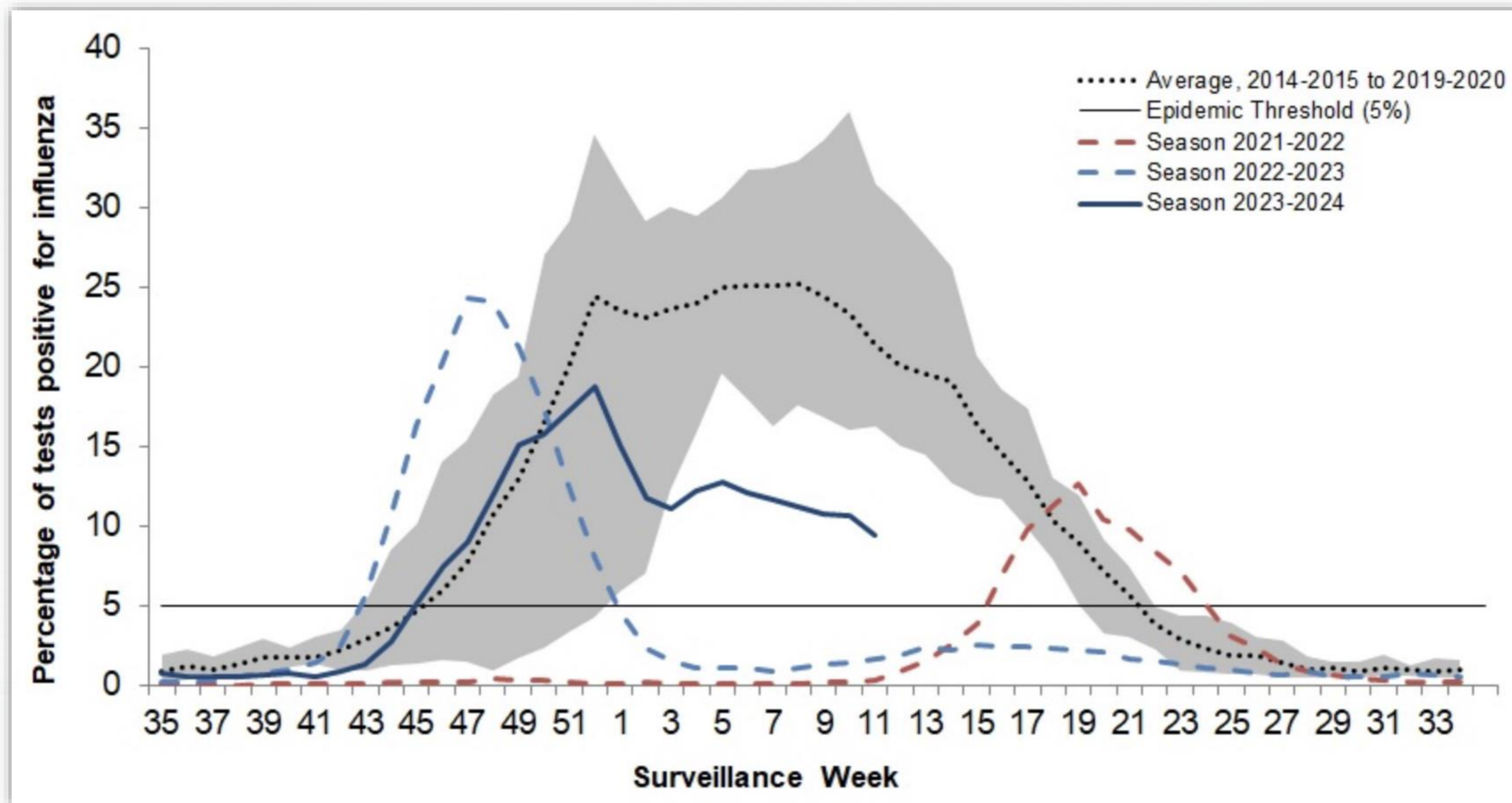
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OUTSTANDING CARE – NO EXCEPTIONS!

April 4, 2024

WRH BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S
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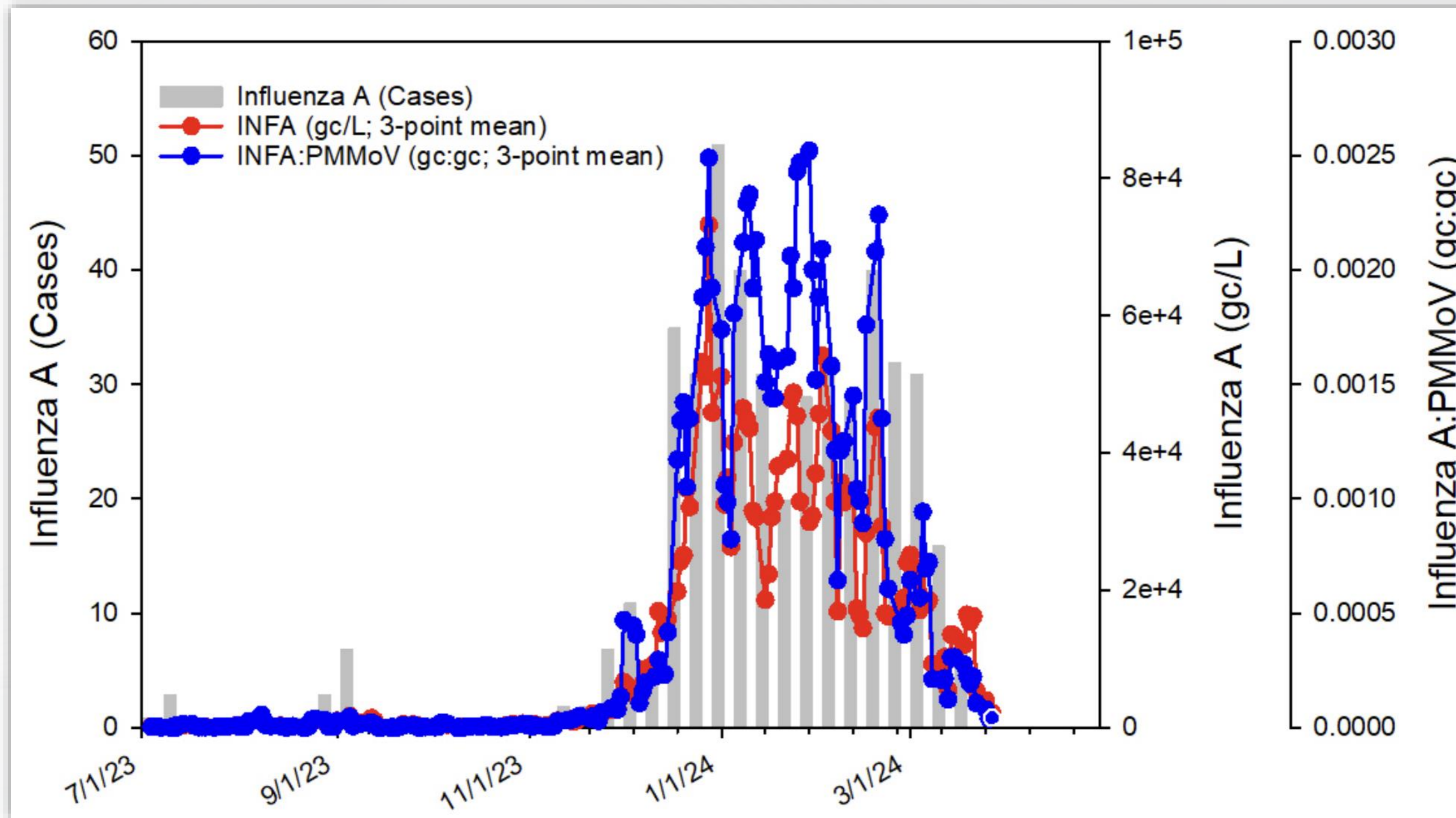
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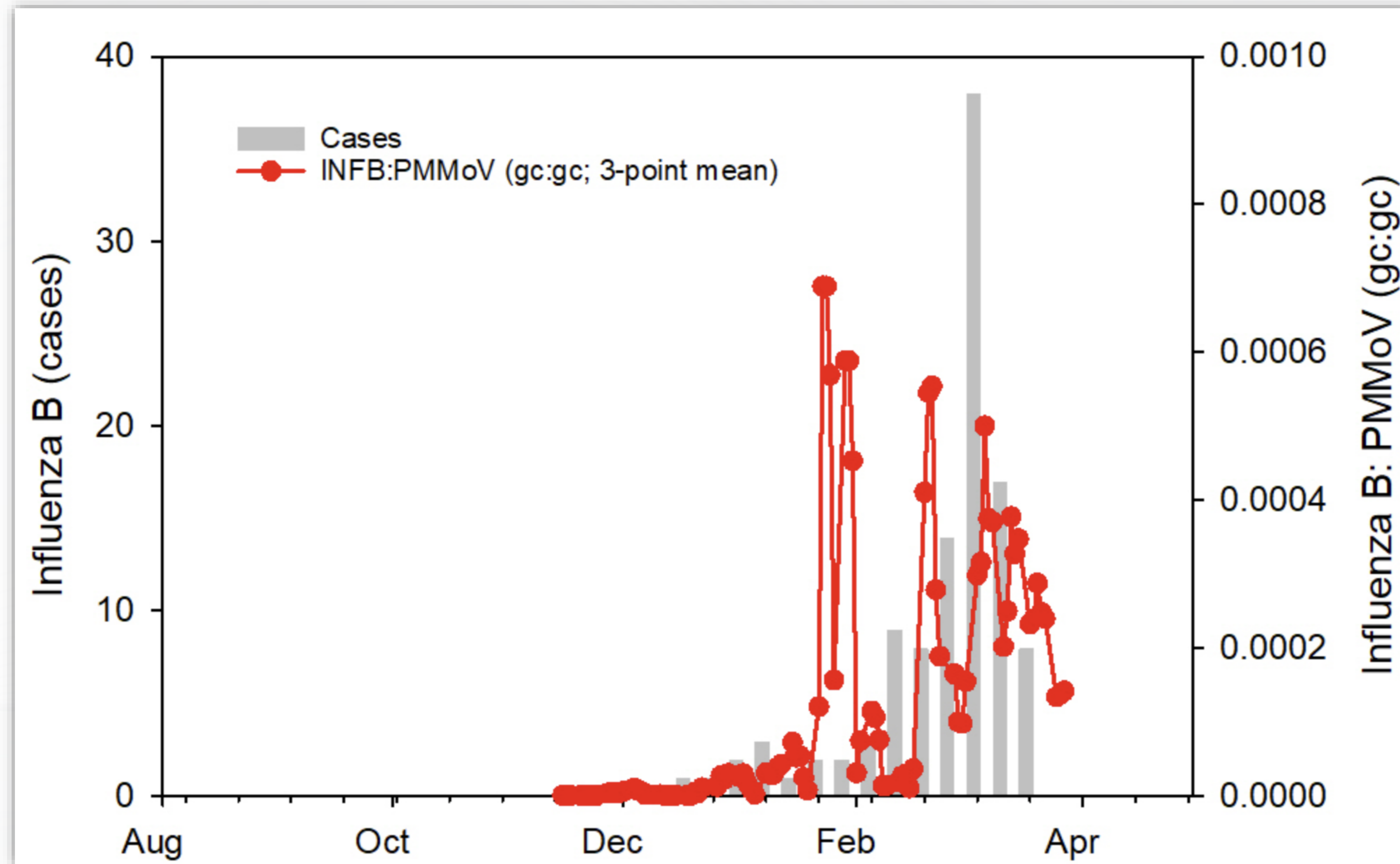
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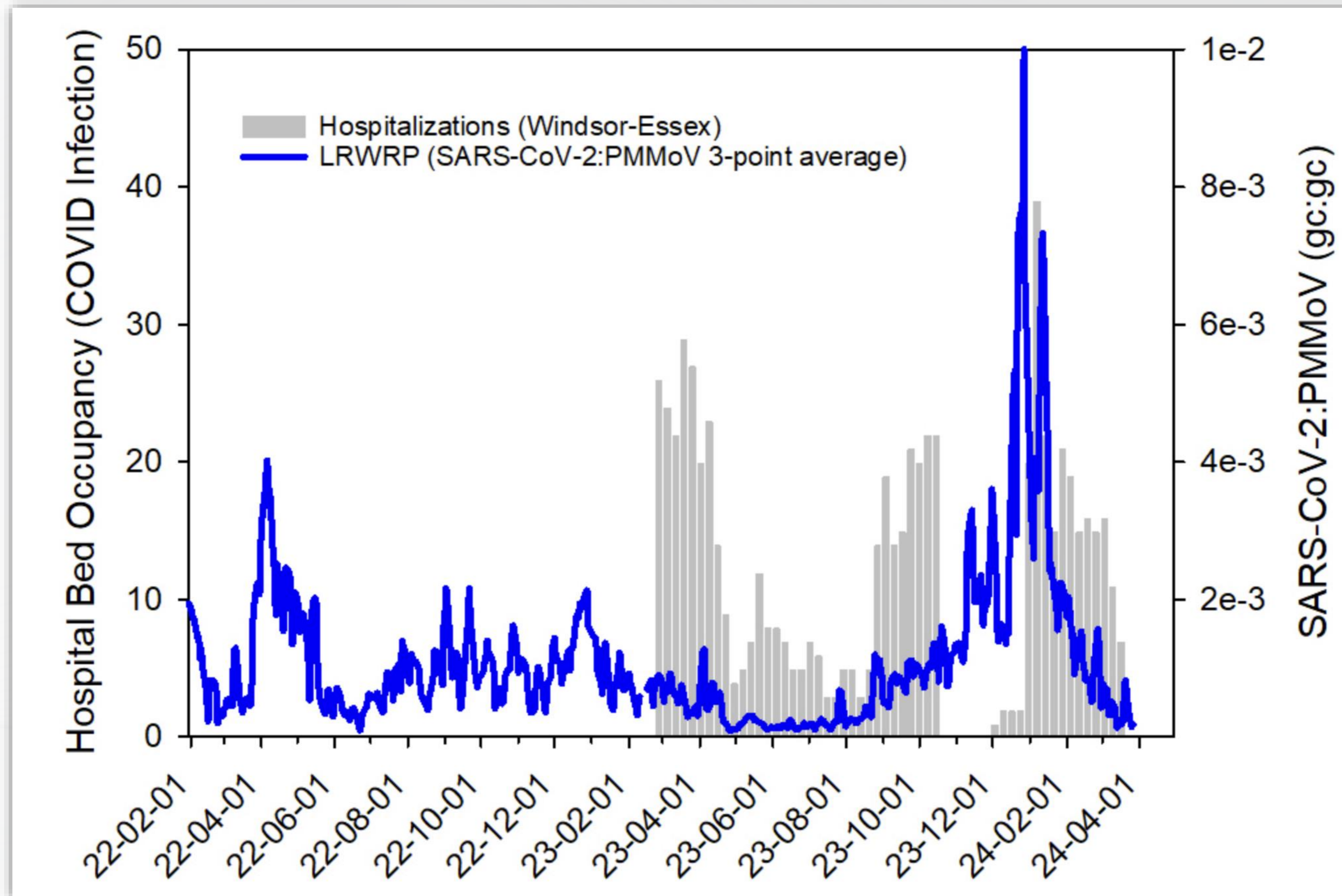
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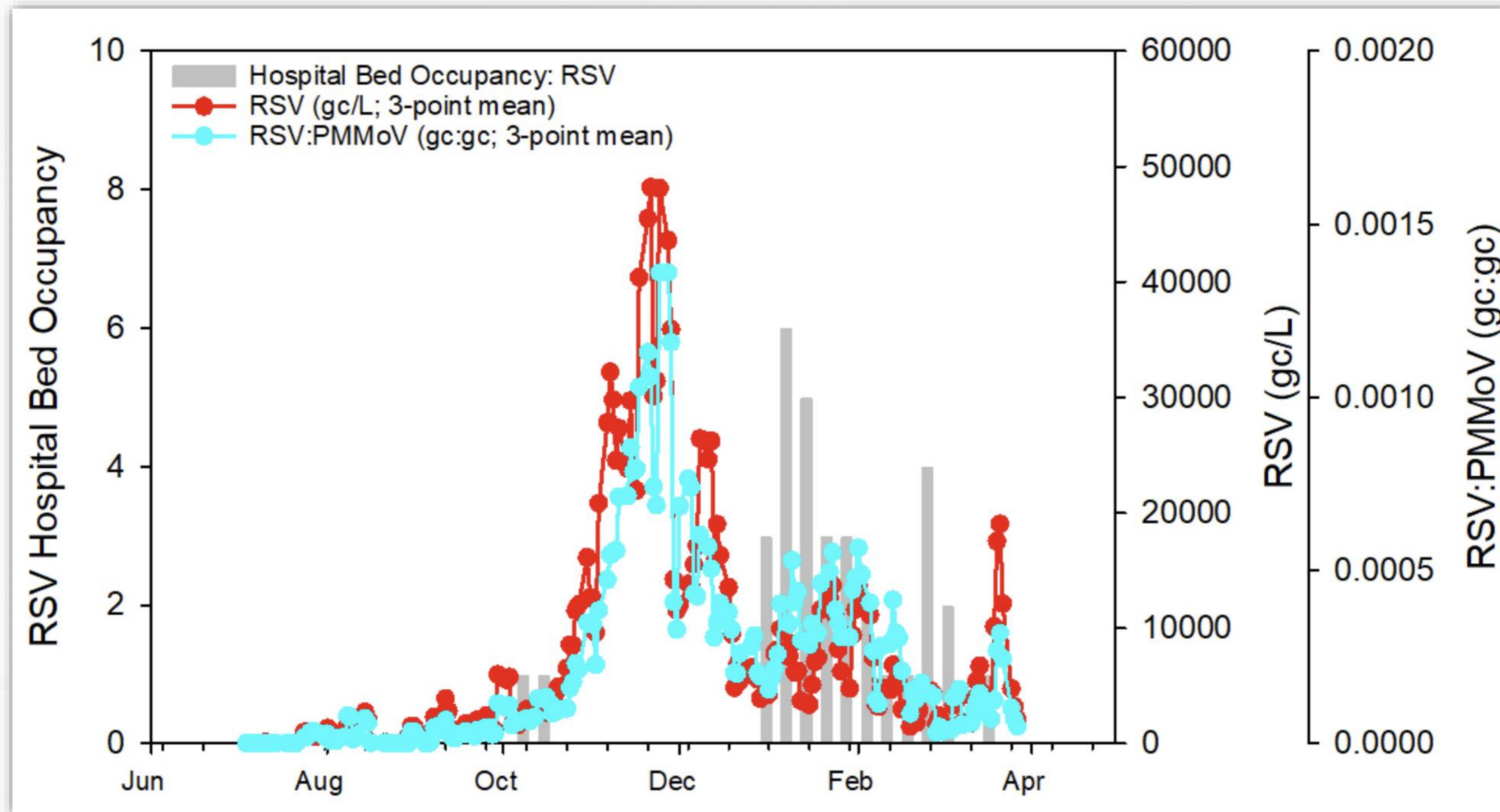
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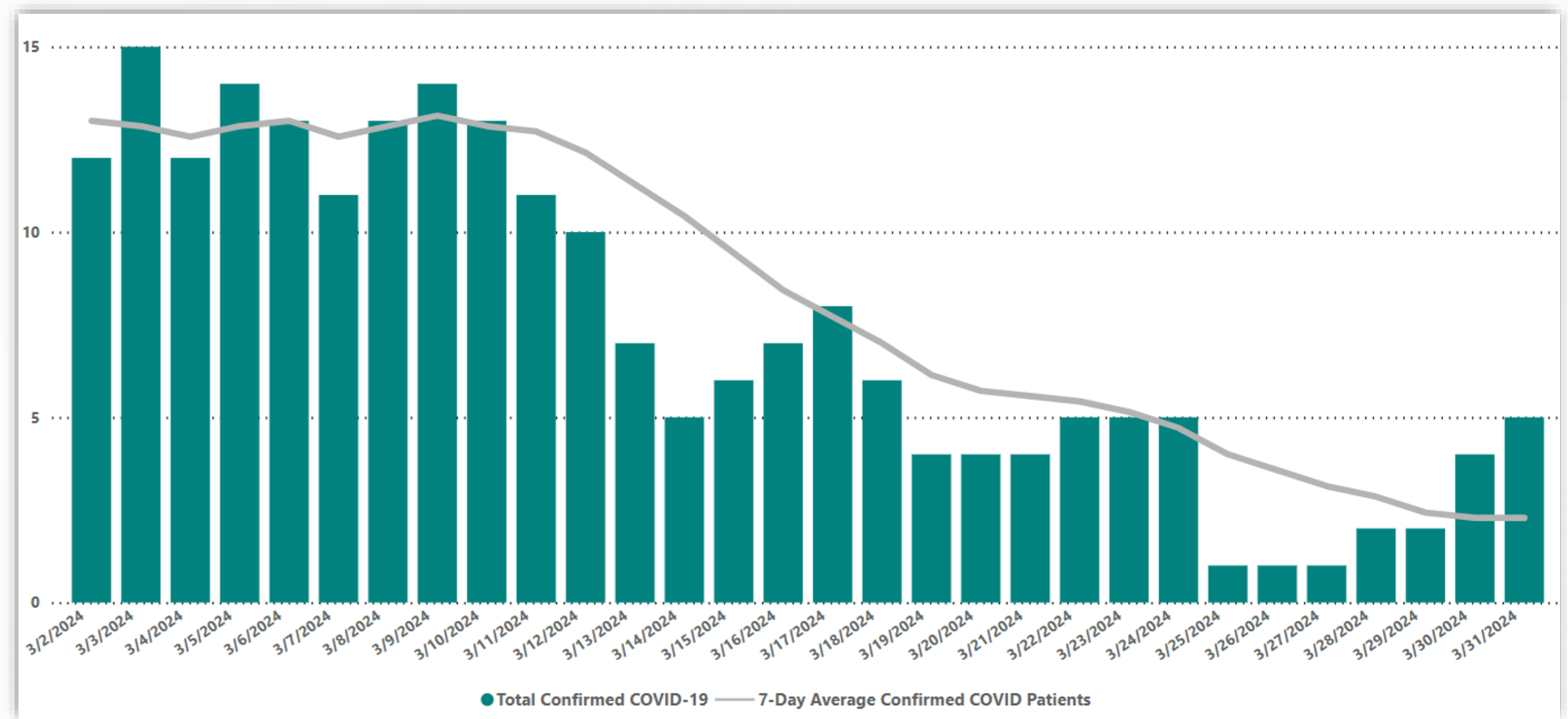
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COVID-19 Inpatient By Day

WRH COVID
Inpatients
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Reminder - Paediatric Diversion Program MET ED from 3PM-11PM, 7 Days a Week

Paediatric ED Diversion Program Expanding

9-2-2024

After a successful trial period, Windsor Regional Hospital's Paediatric Emergency Diversion Service (PEDs) is getting set to expand to 7 days a week.

Thanks to Ontario Ministry of Health funding, the pilot program was [rolled out in September 2023](#) with the aim at reducing the time paediatric patients spend in the Emergency Department while optimizing ED resources and reducing overcrowding. Since its launch, more than 400 of our youngest patients have taken advantage of the program receiving more timely care.

This unique service run by a paediatric speciality team has been available at our Met Campus on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 3 p.m. to 11 p.m. — typically our busiest times for paediatric patients in the ED when there are limited services for paediatric patients elsewhere in the community.



A new funding boost from the province will now allow the program to be offered 7 days a week beginning March 1, 2024. This new funding will cover operating costs and the dedicated staff needed to ensure the program is a continued success.

Parents or guardians arriving to the ED will see their child, if under the age of 17, triaged more quickly depending on their individual medical concerns. If they meet certain criteria, they'll be quickly assessed by an ED provider before being brought to a dedicated space. Here, the child will be treated by a specialized team including a Pediatrician, pediatric nurse and nurse practitioner, supported by Diagnostic Imaging and Lab services.

First time mother Fayth Brando recently brought her 11-month-old son to the ED and was impressed with the timely care he received.

"I can't say enough about the doctor and staff in the Paediatric Unit. They were amazing. It turned out my son had a viral stomach bug and they answered all my questions and made sure he was taken care of quickly," explains Brando.

"Streamlining care for sick kids makes sense and, as a first time mom, it's reassuring to know a service like this is available. Kudos to Windsor Regional Hospital and the Ministry of Health for doing this."

"We know parents of pediatric patients seek and value appropriate high-quality care that is timely, and convenient," explains Chief of Paediatric Medicine Dr. Sajit Augustine. "Pediatric ED diversion clinics offer new and evolving paradigms that serve this growing demand and complement services provided by our emergency departments."

Over 500 children have been seen in the diversion clinic since it started.

Time from attending ED to **complete** discharge approximately 90 minutes on average.

NOTE - not all children qualify for the diversion clinic and need to be seen in ED for emergency care.

We are continuing to work on expanding criteria for the diversion clinic but safely.

Construction Started Monday March 11, 2024

Media Release

March 7, 2024
For Immediate Release

Linear Accelerator (LINAC) Expansion Project Starting Monday March 11 2024

WINDSOR, ON. Starting Monday, March 11, 2024, Windsor Regional Hospital will be commencing construction on a fourth (4th) Linear Accelerator (LINAC) to conduct radiation procedures for Windsor Regional cancer centre patients.

The project was given the green light to proceed to tender in 2023.
<https://news.ontario.ca/en/release/1002649/ontario-investing-30-million-more-in-windsor-regional-hospital>

Currently, Windsor Regional performs approximately 30,000 radiation procedures annually. The goal is to get the 4th LINAC up and running by late fall 2024. Once up and running, over the subsequent 36 months, we will replace each of the existing three (3) radiation machines. At least three of the LINACs will be in operation, and for some months all four will be in operation, until all are replaced.

“This is great news for our region and once again thanks to the Ford government for pressing ahead with a project that was first promised over a decade ago but was not acted upon until they gave the green light to proceed” stated David Musyj, President and CEO Windsor Regional Hospital.



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View from Kildare facing East

Updates - Criminal Cyberattack

- ✓ A previously announced Code Grey was lifted February 6, 2024
- ✓ All major clinical systems are on-line and functioning properly
- ✓ Many smaller clinical and non-clinical systems being added daily once they comply with the security features

Updates - Criminal Cyberattack

- ✓ Approximately 27,800 WRH patients impacted
- ✓ Letters will start going out week of April 8, 2024 to impacted people with number for them to call if they want more information
- ✓ NO health records. NO banking info. NO Social Insurance Numbers part of WRH breach
- ✓ These names in large part came from admission sheets, census sheets and assignment sheets that staff saved to a shared drive for others to access to allow clinical staff to do rounding -visit with -the patients. These contained a patient's name, floor they were on, room they were in and possibly their general diagnosis.

Solar Eclipse - Monday, April 8, 2024

Several locations throughout Windsor and Essex County fall into the path of totality, where the Sun will be completely covered by the Moon for a short period of time. The last total eclipse experienced in the province was in February 1979, and the next one isn't expected to happen again until 2099.

In Windsor-Essex County, the solar eclipse should start at approximately 1:58 p.m. and end at 4:28 p.m. with totality taking place between 3:12 p.m. and 3:15 p.m.

Whether you're in a location where there is a partial or total eclipse, looking directly at the sun can cause serious eye damage such as vision loss. To avoid eye damage during a solar eclipse:

- Do not look directly at the eclipse at all.
- If you want to look at the eclipse, only use [safe solar eclipse viewers or filters](#) that meet international standard ISO 12312-2.
- Put the viewer on before looking at the solar eclipse and turn away from the eclipse before removing the viewer.
- Use other methods to view the solar eclipse, such as an [online livestream](#).

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It is also important to closely monitor children during an eclipse as their eyes let in more light than adult eyes, putting them at higher risk of eye damage.

The event is expected to cause an increase in road and water traffic as people head to sites within the path of totality. Along with practicing eye safety, stay safe on the road and water with the following tips:

- Do not wear solar eclipse glasses while driving.
- Keep your attention on the road or waterway and do not try to look at the sun while driving.
- Do not pull over on the side of the road to view the eclipse. Exit the roadway and find a safe place to view the event.
- Keep your headlights on while driving during the eclipse.
- If you're out on the water, make sure your boat is well lit and be aware of other boats around you.

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PREPARATIONS FOR THE SOLAR ECLIPSE

As a reminder, there will be a solar eclipse on the afternoon of Monday, April 8th, where the moon will move between the sun and Earth.

The Windsor-Essex County Health Unit has information on staying safe during the solar eclipse here:

www.wechu.org/your-health/solar-eclipse-safety

For those working at WRH on Monday, April 8th: Windsor Regional Hospital has secured a limited quantity of solar eclipse protective eyewear for staff/patients/visitors who are exiting our facilities. The eyewear will be available at the following locations:

- The main Lens Avenue entrance of Met Campus
- The main Goyeau Street entrance of Ouellette Campus
- The renal dialysis unit (Bell Building) on Goyeau Street
- The Cancer Centre main entrance at Met Campus.

The eyewear is **ONLY** for those exiting our facilities who **MUST** leave the campus between noon and 4pm that day. They are **NOT** to be used simply to go outside to view the eclipse.



April is National Donor Month



**1 organ donor
can save 8 lives**

APRIL IS NATIONAL ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION MONTH!

The success of organ and tissue donation in Ontario relies on the hard work and dedication of our hospital partners.

Together, Ontario Health (Trillium Gift of Life Network) and its partners work to ensure that families have the opportunity to save and enhance lives through organ and tissue donation.

One organ donor can save up to eight lives and enhance the lives of up to 75 others through tissue donation.

About 1,400 people in Ontario are waiting for a life-saving organ transplant while thousands more are in need of a transformative tissue donation.

Registration rates in Windsor-Essex remain some of the lowest in the province.

<https://beadonor.ca>