

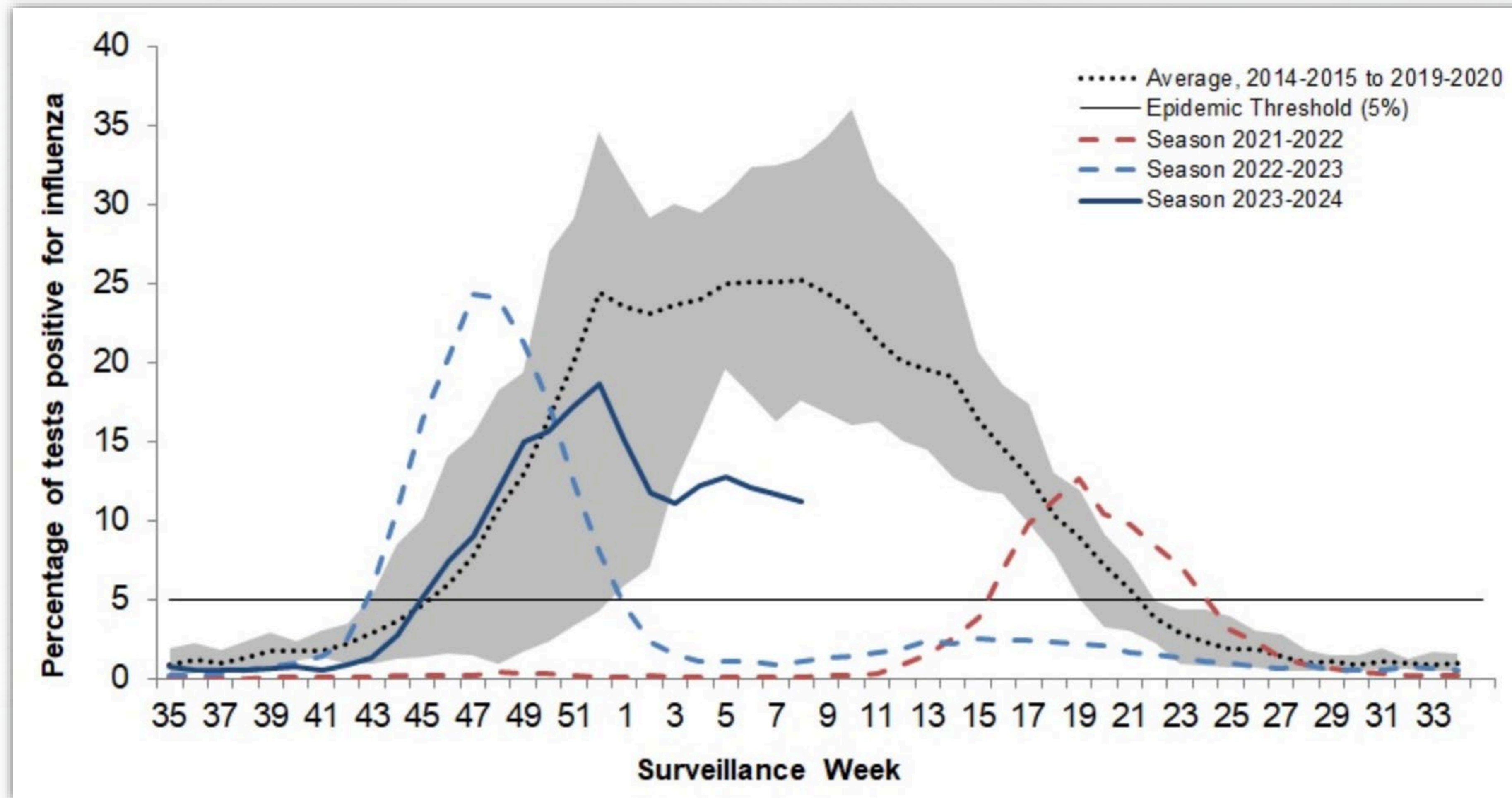


OUTSTANDING CARE – NO EXCEPTIONS!

March 7, 2024

WRH BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

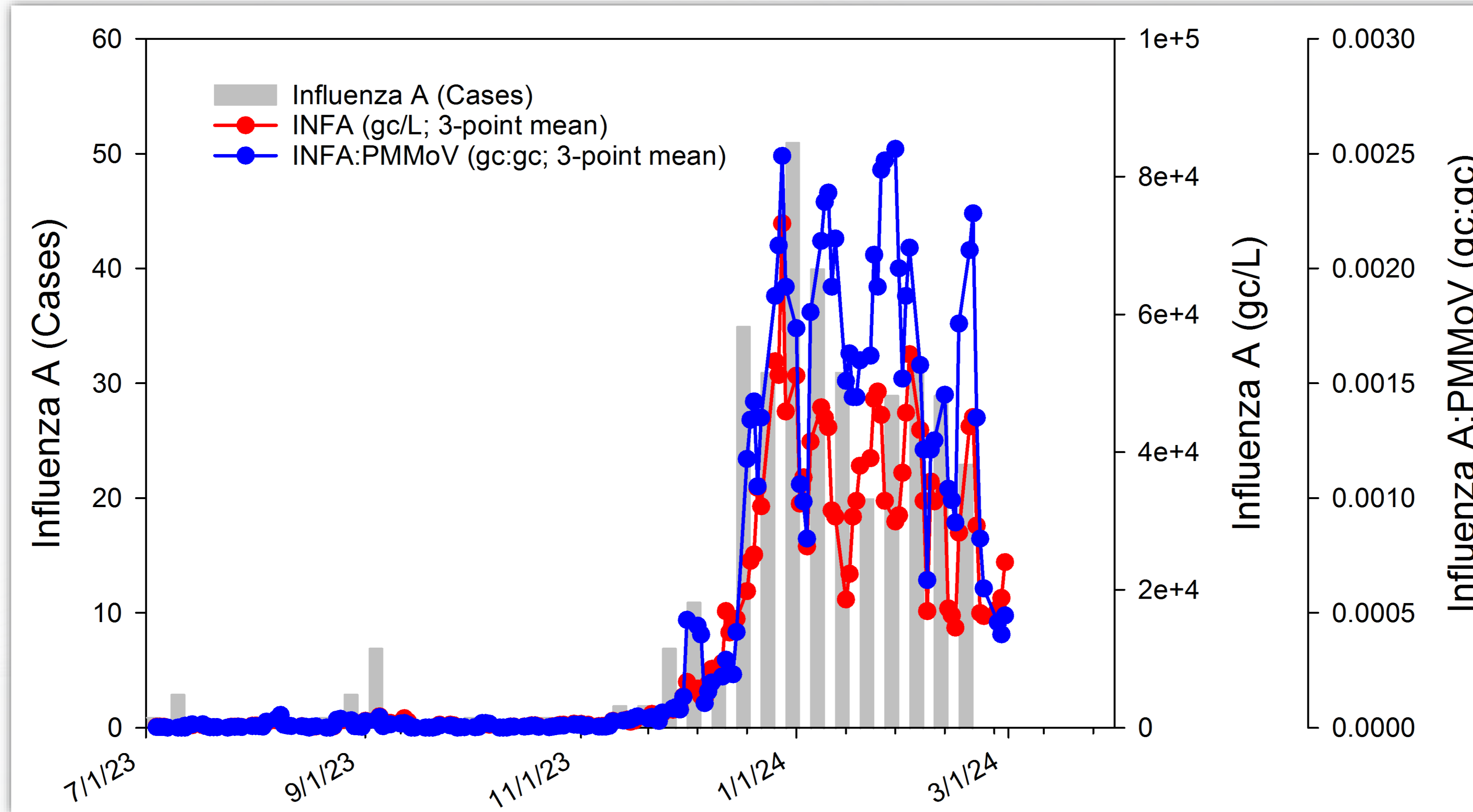
Percentage of Tests Positive in Canada Compared to Previous Seasons, Week 2023-35 to 2024-08



Wastewater Influenza A Windsor-Essex

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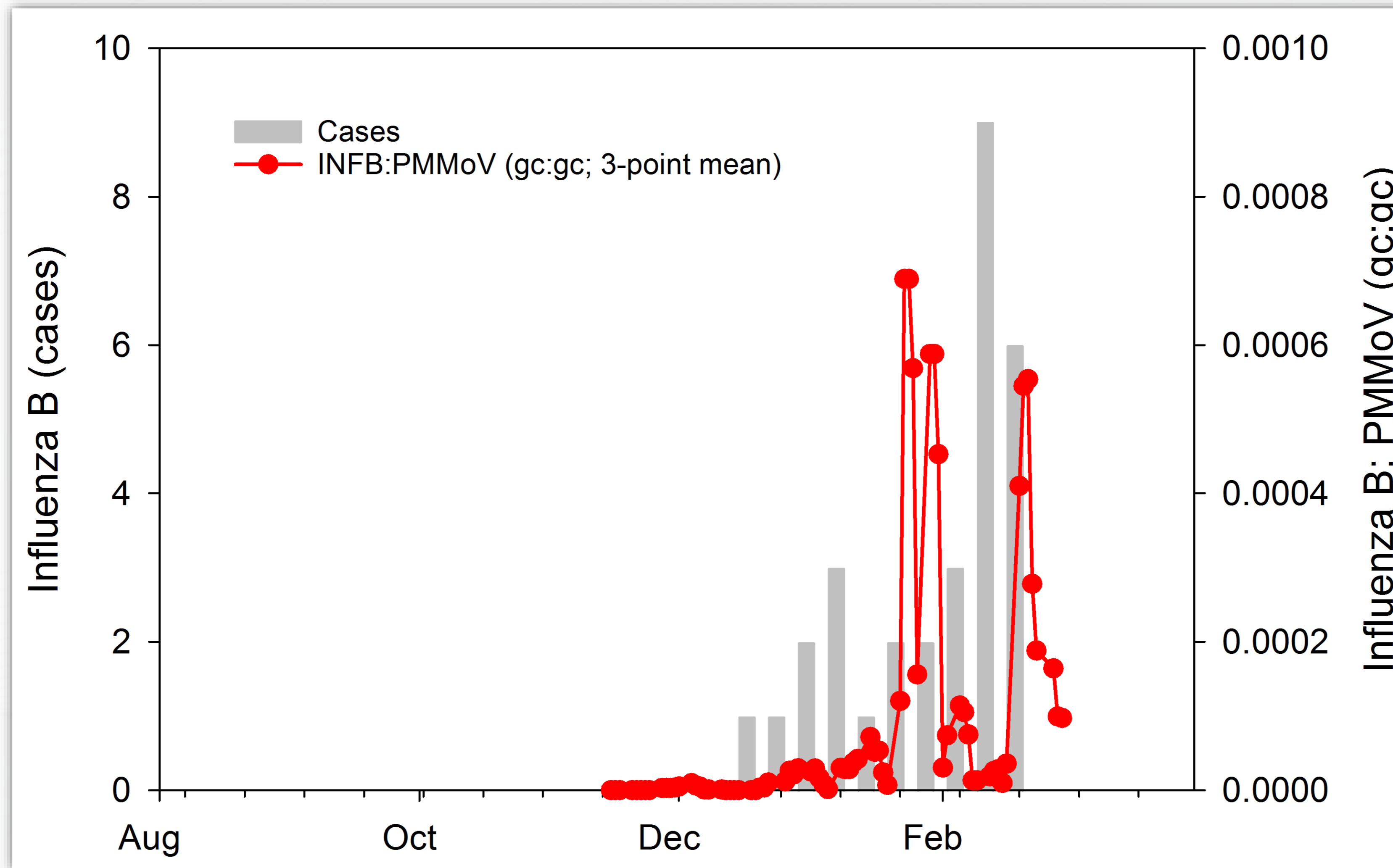
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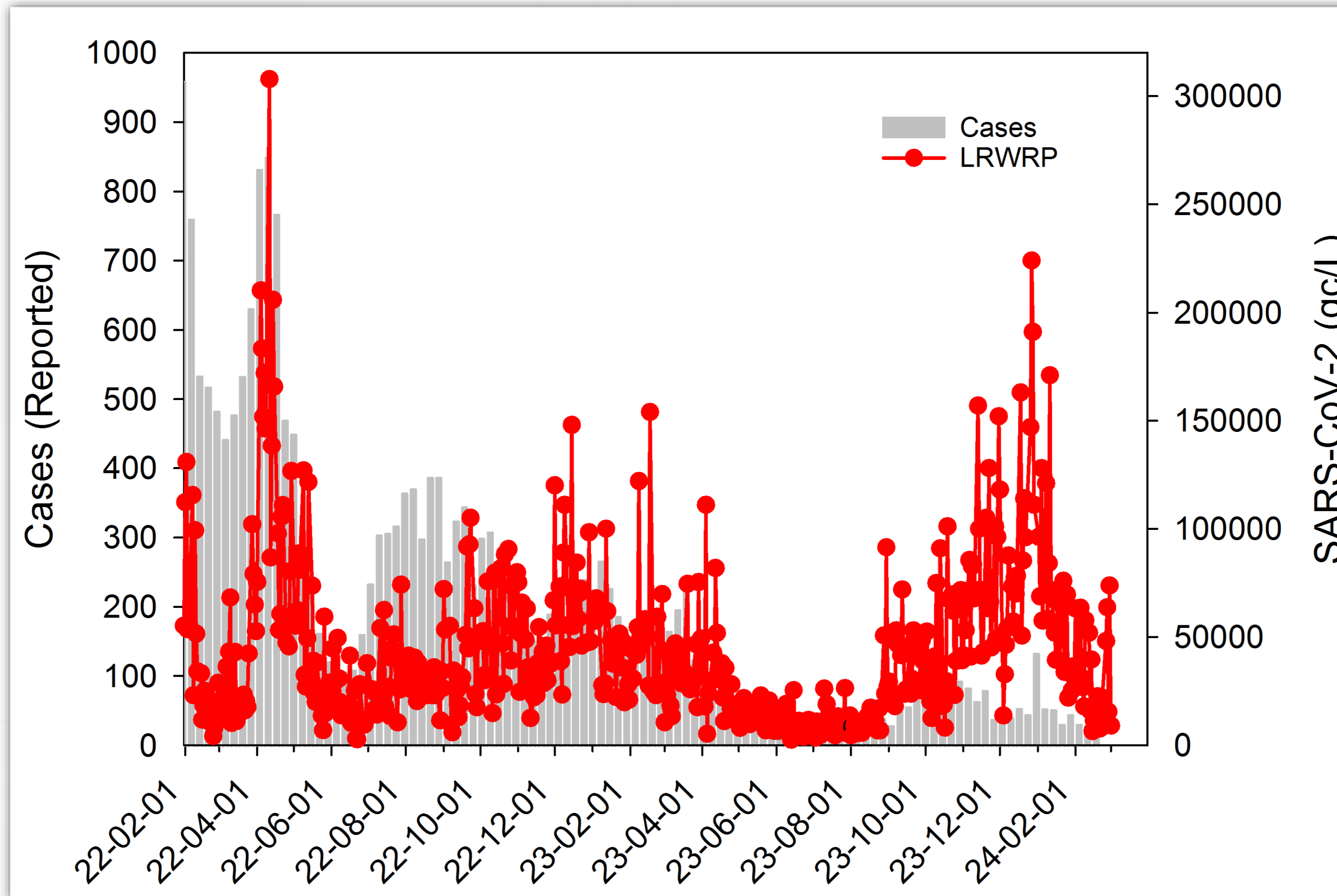
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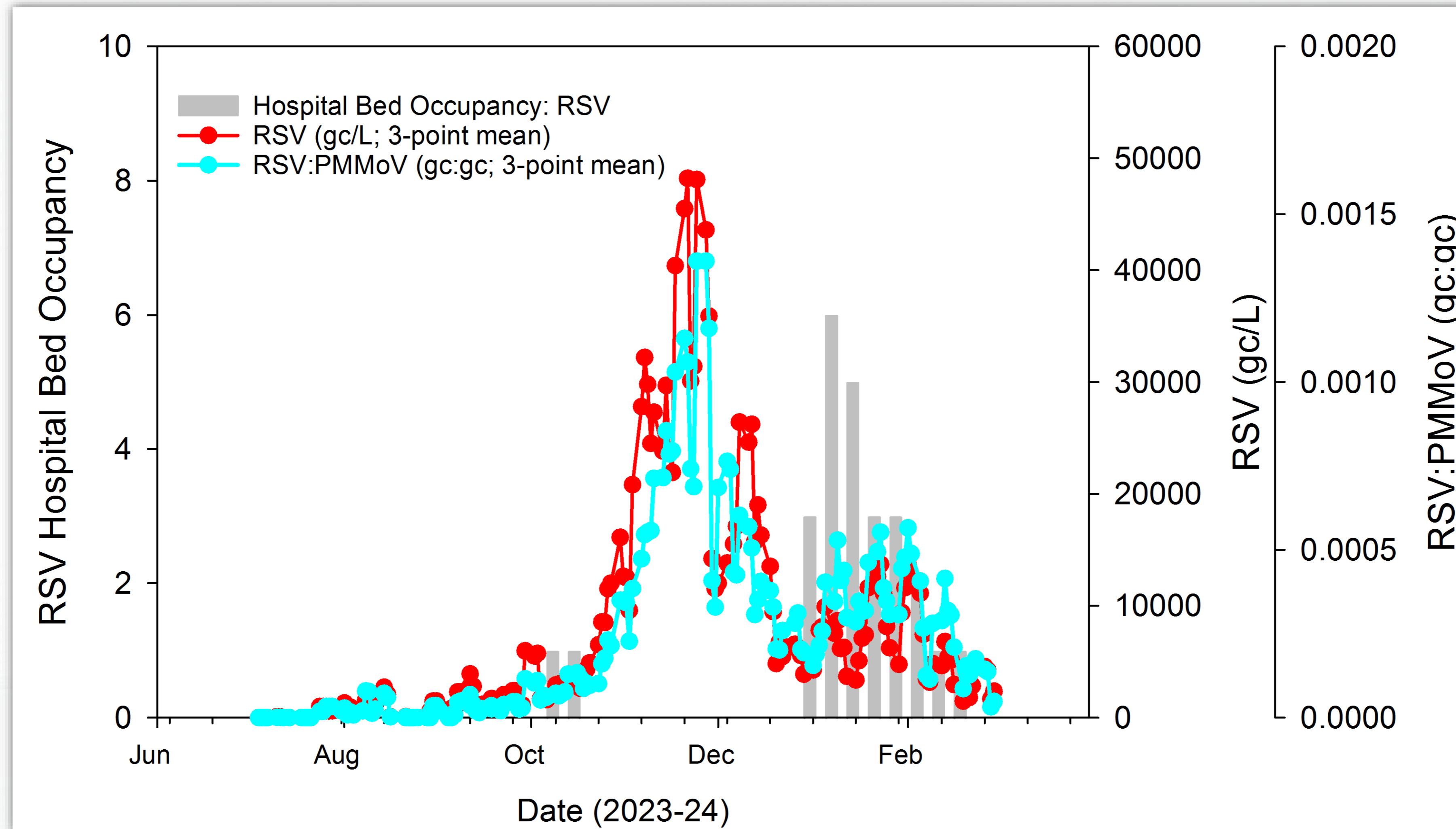
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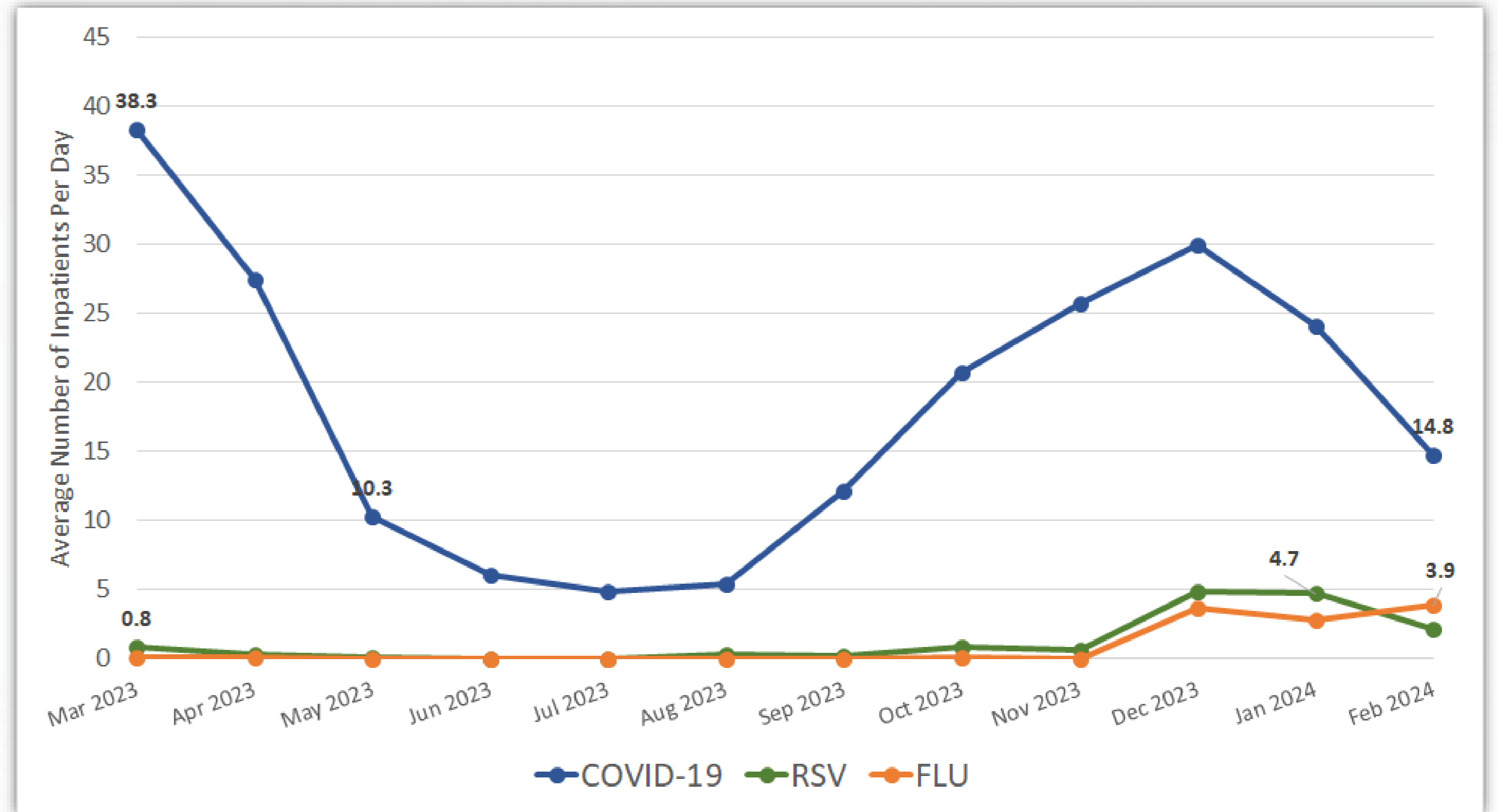
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Daily Average COVID-19, RSV & Influenza Inpatient Cases

WRH COVID,
RSV and
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Inpatients
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REMINDER – CURRENT Masking Rules for Visitors

Media Release

December 7, 2023
For Immediate Release

MASKS REQUIRED WHEN VISITING PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL AMID RISE IN RESPIRATORY ILLNESS

WINDSOR, ON. – As we move into the peak of the respiratory illness season, we are asking for the public's help in protecting our vulnerable patients. **Effective Friday, December 8 at 12:01 a.m.**, anyone visiting a patient in hospital must wear a mask while visiting in a patient's room. Patients must also wear a mask when outside of their designated bed space as much as tolerated.

Windsor Regional Hospital is taking on this proactive approach because we have historically seen an increase in respiratory illness and outbreak during the first two weeks of January - immediately following holiday gatherings.

"You can spread viruses to vulnerable individuals even before you start to feel sick," said Erika Vitale, WRH's Director of Infection Control. "Wearing a mask when in close contact, such as in a patient's room, is a simple measure that can reduce the risk to everyone."

WRH staff have been masking within two metres of patients since mid-October.

Reminder – Paediatric Diversion Program – Met Ed From 3pm-11pm Daily

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. "Paediatric ED diversion clinics offer new and evolving paradigms that serve this growing demand and complement services provided by our emergency departments."



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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