



ST. JOSEPH'S VILLA | ST. JOSEPH'S HEALTH CENTRE | ST. JOSEPH'S CONTINUING CARE CENTRE | VILLA ST. GABRIEL VILLA

May 2019 Celebrating Hand Hygiene Awareness Day



St. Joseph's Villa



Villa St. Gabriel Villa



St. Joseph's Continuing Care Centre

The evidence based *Just Clean Your Hands* program, launched by the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care in 2008 which was developed to help reduce health care-associated infections, has become a friendly competition between St. Joseph's Villa, St. Joseph's Continuing Care Centre and Villa St. Gabriel Villa staff over the past years.

Congratulations to our winners and thank you to all staff for "Just Cleaning Your Hands!" stated Jo-Anne Palkovits, President and CEO, St. Joseph's Health Centre. Practicing hand hygiene is a simple yet effective way to prevent infections. Cleaning your hands can prevent the spread of germs, including those that are resistant to antibiotics and are becoming more difficult, if not impossible, to treat. "Over the past years, our organizations have implemented strategies to increase our hand hygiene compliance rates. The data demonstrates that our strategies have and continue to be very successful" stated Ms. Palkovits.

St. Joseph's Health Centre oversees the operation of the Village of Care Campus located on South Bay Road which includes St. Joseph's Villa, a 128-bed longterm care home and Joseph's Continuing Care Centre, a 64-bed complex continuing care hospital. St. Joseph's Health Centre also operates Villa St. Gabriel Villa, a 128-bed long-term care home located in Chelmsford, Ontario.