

Infection Shield Releases Free Outbreak Readiness Workbook for Ontario Long-Term Care Homes

Ontario LTC: Free Outbreak Readiness Workbook—first-hour actions, tabletop drills, 30-day plan, and a 40-point Mini-IPAC self-audit to strengthen readiness.

TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA, October 16, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [Infection Shield](#) today released a free Outbreak Readiness [Workbook](#) built specifically for long-term care (LTC) teams seeking faster first-hour response, clearer public-health communication, and stronger documentation ahead of the respiratory season. The package, shared at AdvantAge Ontario's Region 5 meeting, is now available to LTC homes province-wide.

The workbook brings together Infection Shield's field-tested tools in one place:

1. Enteric and Respiratory Outbreak Table-Top Exercises with progressive injects that clarify roles, PHU notification timing, testing logistics, staffing resilience, and family communications—ending with a 30-day “Owner • Action • Date” plan.
2. Mini IPAC Assessment Guide—a concise, 40-point self-audit with plain-English score interpretation so leaders can gauge risk in minutes and prioritise fixes.
3. IPAC Engagement & Communication toolkit for staff, family, and resident councils, including pre-season planning, visibility campaigns, and measurement steps.



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4. Staff Vaccination Uplift Playbook—a four-week sprint plan with night-shift clinics, opt-out consent flow, champion outreach, and a simple scoreboard to improve coverage.

“Homes asked for practical tools that translate guidance into action—especially in the first hour of a suspected outbreak,” said a spokesperson for Infection Shield. “This workbook puts the scripts, roles, and checklists at their fingertips, with a built-in 30-day improvement plan to lock in gains.”

The materials align with Public Health Ontario practices and the Fixing Long-Term Care Act framework and are designed so EDs, DOCs, and IPAC Leads can use them immediately without adding paperwork. Implementation support, if needed, is eligible under Ontario’s dedicated IPAC funding envelope, allowing homes to strengthen readiness without drawing on operating budgets.

Workbook download: [ACCESS RESOURCES](#)

About Infection Shield

Infection Shield is a Toronto-based infection-prevention and control consultancy that helps long-term care, retirement, dental, and congregate-living organisations turn complex regulations into practical routines that protect residents, staff, and reputations. Services include comprehensive IPAC audits, real-time monitoring apps, outbreak response, staff education, and policy development. Learn more at www.infectionshield.ca

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The image shows the cover of a guide titled "IPAC Mini-Assessment Guide for Long Term Care". At the top, there is a logo for "INFECTION SHIELD CONSULTING INC." featuring a shield with a person inside. Below the logo is a photograph of an elderly woman with white hair and glasses, wearing a light blue cardigan, sitting on a couch and talking to a young woman in blue scrubs. The title "IPAC Mini-Assessment Guide for Long Term Care" is prominently displayed in a green banner. Below the title, there are five circular icons with corresponding text: "Immediate Insights", "Identify Gaps", "Reduce Compliance Risks", "Prepare for Audits", and "Baseline for Improvement". At the bottom left, contact information is listed: "infectionshield.com", "info@infectionshield.com", and "1(844)999-6368". At the bottom right is the "INFECTION SHIELD" logo, which consists of a stylized shield with a person inside, next to the text "INFECTION SHIELD".

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