

COVID-19 INFO

COCHRANE TEMISKAMING RESOURCE CENTRE

To: All Staff
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Subject: Updates - Covid-19
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**“WASH YOUR HANDS, PHYSICALLY DISTANCE, STAY SAFE”
PLEASE CONTINUE WEARING YOUR MASK & SHIELD**



WEAR A MASK



STAY 6 FEET APART



AVOID CROWDS



GET A VACCINE

VISITS & OUTINGS

The CTCR Management Team continues to work and meet regularly to monitor the Covid-19 situation, plan and respond to any issues, monitor the regulations applicable to our services and to communicate key messages.

- ✓ Ontario is seeing a significant increase in COVID-19 spread and the New Omicron Variant.
- ✓ CTCR is focused on safeguarding all residents and staff.
- ✓ Plans are underway to offer and provide, if wanted, a 3rd vaccination dose to all residents in our homes.
- ✓ Rapid Antigen Testing twice a week of all residential staff and staff providing services in the homes is set to launch once supplies are available.
- ✓ In the interest of preventing the spread of Covid-19 to residents and staff alike we are suspending all in home visits and out of home social and recreational visits.
- ✓ Only essential visitors will be allowed to visit in the homes and this will require the completion of a Rapid Antigen Test prior to the visit.
- ✓ This temporary suspension of visits takes effect on **Thursday December 30th**, in line with practices in Ontario Long-Term Care facilities.
- ✓ Staff are being asked to limit their overall outings and contacts to essentials. Also, please continue to monitor your overall wellness and report any issues to a Supervisor.

- ✓ The overall health of everyone and the assurance of continued operations at CTRC are now our primary focus.
- ✓ To be clear **ALL** future on-site visits are suspended effective December 30th, 2021 and will resume two (2) weeks after the vaccine boosters have been provided.
- ✓ **Essential** visitors may make arrangements with Supervisors to attend a CTRC location with enhanced precautions (antigen testing and active wellness screening), proper wearing of PPE (mask & eye protection) and maintenance of social distancing as much as possible during the visit.
- ✓ **ALL** outings (Passport, CSS visits etc.) are suspended effective December 30th, 2021 and until further notice.
- ✓ Existing protocols for emergency outings and un-authorized outings are to be enforced.
- ✓ All overnight LOA's are suspended effective December 30th, 2021.
- ✓ The need for wearing PPE properly and the implementation of all infection control measures continues to be critical.



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