

COVID-19 INFO

COCHRANE TEMISKAMING RESOURCE CENTRE

To: All Staff
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Subject: Updates - Covid-19 & Vaccination
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“WASH YOUR HANDS, PHYSICALLY DISTANCE, STAY SAFE”

The CTRC Management Team continues to meet to discuss any care and support issues in this Covid-19 period.

The CTRC Joint Health and Safety Committee would like to communicate the following:

With the most recent increase in numbers across the North after the holidays, the CTRC JHSC would like to acknowledge and appreciate the hard work and dedication of all staff as we pass the 10 month mark of lockdowns, restrictions , enhanced PPE protocols and wellness checks. You are all safety warriors!

Although extremely difficult at times, we have been successful. We have kept each other, our families, and the individuals that we support safe, and Covid-19 Free by limiting our contacts, working from home and by following the changing guidelines.

Thank you for all that you continue to do to keep each other safe.

- ✓ The Ontario Lockdown in our District is still in place until February 11th, 2021 and our Ministry's Emergency Orders have been extended to February 19th, 2021.
- ✓ CTRC has been linked to the Porcupine Health Unit and the weekly Congregated Care meetings since the very start of the Pandemic in March 2020.
- ✓ The much hoped for vaccine, to be an added tool, along with hand washing, physical distancing and face covering is coming.

An Ethical Framework aligned with provincial priority group targeted for vaccination has allowed us to identify that CTRC residents and all CTRC staff with

DIRECT contact in the homes (RC/ARC/CSS, Supervisors, Nurses and the Handyman) are the first groups to receive vaccination at CTCRC by our Health Service Nurses Rylee and Meagan.

- ✓ **All other CTCRC staff, including Managers and Directors, will be waiting for their prioritization group to be called up for vaccination. No jumping the queue!**

- ✓ **Our vaccination date is not yet known but we are preparing:**
 - **The number of staff in the priority group has been shared.**
 - **Information about vaccination is attached.**
 - **CTCRC Health Services will be assisting the Health Unit by inoculating our priority groups.**
 - **Vaccination clinic details are being developed.**
 - **HR will be calling all priority group staff to determine intent of vaccination, reassure staff that declining vaccination is not subject to a reprisal and to collect any questions about the vaccine and vaccination.**

- ✓ **This is our first communication related to the vaccine and vaccination. Please bring forward any questions so we may find the answers and communicate them throughout the agency.**

**Keep Safe. Thank You &
We will get through this together.**


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