

# COVID-19 INFO

COCHRANE TEMISKAMING RESOURCE CENTRE

**To:** All Staff  
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## WELCOME TO 2021

### **“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 Northern Ontario Lockdown is extended to January 23.
- ✓ Visits in Residential Homes and outside of the homes are suspended.
- ✓ Temiskaming Shores and Kirkland Lake continues to have over 12 active cases in their region.
- ✓ Kapuskasing has declared an outbreak in a local LTC facility
- ✓ Timmins now has over 5 active community cases and our Ministry directives will have our Professional Resource Team stopping all face-to-face meetings, strictly limiting any in office visits to essential reasons and waiting for a full 2 weeks of active cases below 5 before returning to in person appointments and office visits. (This also applies to our Temiskaming Shores and Kirkland Lake teams)
- ✓ We remain under the regulations set out in the Reopening Ontario Act 2020 that includes emergency orders for our sector.
- ✓ Many CTRC Relief Staff remain siloed to their other primary employers and this will continue for the foreseeable future.
- ✓ We currently have 5+ open Part-Time RC positions that have not been filled after several rounds of contract calls made to remaining Relief Staff and after advertising on local job boards.

- ✓ **The current vacant Residential Counsellor part-time positions remain available to any qualified Relief staff and we can offer full-time RC Covid-19 Contracts to these same staff.**
- ✓ **The full re-opening of CSS remains delayed given continued shutdowns and service limitations.**
- ✓ **The reassignment and redeployment of CSS staff into Residential Services, as part of the minimum, is being extended to March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021.**
- ✓ **Continued vigilance around wearing PPE, washing our hands and maintaining physical distancing is critical now even more than in March and April of last year.**

**Keep Safe. We will get through this together.**



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