



Deafblind and Sensory Réseau canadien de soutien à la
Support Network of Canada surdicécité et troubles sensoriels

December 21, 2020

Dear Sensity Community,

Today the Premier made an announcement indicating that all regions of the province will be moving into lockdown as of December 26, 2020 at 12:01 a.m.

Our Sensity team is developing communications that can be found on the staff portal, the COVID-19 section of our website (under Resources) and emails that will be sent directly to you.

I wanted to take a moment and acknowledge how difficult this situation is for the people we support, their families and all of our employees. I know that this is not how you envision the holiday season nor the fact that we would be in a lockdown situation.

To our frontline staff who are providing the direct services, you have my deepest gratitude and respect. Providing Intervenor Services during this past year has not been easy. For many of the people we support, it has been difficult for them to understand the changes. You have been there for them during this difficult time.

Many of you will have to take time away from your own families during the holidays to come to work and I want you to know how much I appreciate your dedication. I see first-hand how much you care about the people we support.

The days ahead may be challenging. We know that things will be different this holiday season, however I know that all of you will do your part to make it the best possible holiday for the people in our services.

We know how important it will be for families to be able to visit their loved ones during the holidays and I am pleased that we can continue to offer family visits.

As previously indicated the visits must be scheduled at least five days ahead of time and there can be no more than two visitors per resident visiting at one time.

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All visitors will be required to wear gowns, masks and face shields. Visits may only take place in the designated areas of the Resource Centre. You are allowed to bring gifts but please do not bring hot drinks, etc. as we will be encouraging the people we support to wear masks as well.

You can expect to see changes in the office team during lockdown. Your supervisor will be discussing with you what this means for you.

By following the rules outlined by the province we can keep everyone safe and healthy during this unprecedented time.

To all of Sensivity family stay safe, be kind and thank you once again for all that you do!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Cathy Full'.

Chief Executive Officer