

Statement from the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation On COVID-19

October 2, 2020

The MCFN Chief and Council and the COVID-19 Working Group are continuing to actively take precautions and actions to address the potential impacts of COVID-19 within our Nation.

Thankfully, the MCFN Community continues to have no active cases of COVID-19. We wish to say chi-miigwech to everyone for their diligence in keeping our community free of the virus.

As the COVID-19 numbers across the Province and surrounding communities continue to rise, it is important to remember that we all play a role in keeping our Community free of the virus.

Social Distancing, Social Circles and Non-Essential Travel

Please remember that social distancing rules must be followed in all situations. We still must continue to stay 2 meters away from each other. If staying 2 meters apart is not possible, you need to wear a mask to help protect yourself and others. Remember to wash or sanitize your hands frequently.

The Province announced today that they are asking Ontario to suspend their social circles and to limit their close contact to people living in the same home. We recognize this may be difficult, but it is important to do so.

At this time, the MCFN Chief and Council are asking you to reduce your personal, non-essential travel, and to restrict your visits to grocery stores and pharmacies only. Please remember that limiting contact with others, following public health guidance and avoiding non-essential travel is how we contribute to reducing the spread of COVID-19.

Organizational Operations

General in-person programming, such as yoga, will be temporarily suspended. Please note, to ensure safety, some current services will be further modified to permit social distancing. This includes an in-office closure during the lunch period of 12-1pm.

Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre and the MCFN EarlyON Child and Family Program will remain closed at this time. We will continue to offer virtual programming and will be actively planning on how we can safely incorporate in-person programming once it is deemed safe to do so.

At the current time, an appointment is necessary to attend any administration building. All visitors must complete a pre-screening with the relevant staff person prior to entering the screening station. Temperatures will be checked by the staff person, and admittance to the building will take place once satisfactory results occur. Everyone will be required to wear a mask upon entry to any



Phone: (905) 768-1133 Fax: (905) 768-1225 building. There will be no exceptions to this process. In addition, you will need to provide your name and number in the event contract tracing is required in the workplace. We appreciate everyone's cooperation in keeping our community and staff safe.

Additionally, please note that the playgrounds are not sanitized, and it is recommended that people refrain from using them.

Personal Precautions

The MCFN Chief and Council would like to remind everyone how important it is to take personal precautions to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in our community. These include:

- Regular hand washing with soap and warm water or an alcohol-based hand cleanser.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Maintain social distancing and ensure you practice good respiratory hygiene. Cover your cough or sneeze with your bent elbow or tissue, then dispose of the tissue immediately.
- Be cognizant of travel advisories and limit your exposure to large gatherings.
- If you travel outside of Canada, it is important to self-isolate upon re-entry to the country.
- If you feel ill, stay home. If you have a fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical attention and follow their instructions.

Public Health Information

If you are experiencing symptoms please, contact the following Public Health Offices and follow their instructions:

- Haldimand Norfolk Public Health 519-426-6170, ext. 9999
- Six Nations Public Health 519-445-2672
- Brant County Public Health 519-753-4937
- Outside of regular business hours, you can contact Telehealth Ontario at 1-866-797-0000.

Please note, the MCFN Community Health Office is not a Public Health Office, although it does assist with contact tracing and wellness checks.

The MCFN Chief and Council are responsible for making decisions that impact the Membership. If you have any concerns, please contact any member of the table.





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