



EAGLEPRESS NEWSLETTER

Meet the 2021-23 Chief and Council!



Photos from the Chief and Council Swearing in Ceremony by Jenifer Boyce Photography

Vision Statement in Ojibwe:

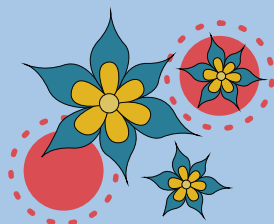
Ezhi niigaan waabjigaayewaad Mississaugas of the Credit endaawaad (the vision of these people). Ezhip mino maadzijig (living a joyful life), ezhi waamji-gaazwaad (their identity, how people have identified them), ezhi debwedmowaad (their beliefs), ezhi mimiingaazwaad (what was given to them by Creation, what they always had, their heritage), niigaabminunkiwaad Anishinaabek (is how they always lived as Anishinaabek).

Translated by: Nimkew Niinis, N'biising First Nation.

Eaglepress Newsletter

The Eaglepress newsletter is available for download at www.mncfn.ca. We encourage members to view the online version rather than subscribing to print to help us care for Mother Earth and save print and postage costs.

The Eaglepress will continue to evolve with new features and information. If you have suggestions or submissions for the newsletter, please contact: Gov.Comm@mncfn.ca



Artwork Acknowledgement

LSK Mural: Eaglepress Newsletter acknowledges artists: Philip Cote, Tracey Anthony, Rebecca Baird, for use of their artwork for our identifier, marketing and promotional materials.

The original artwork pictured below is located in the Library at Lloyd S. King Elementary School.



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CHIEF R. STACEY LAFORME



I want to thank everyone for doing their part to ensure our Nation is as safe as possible during these challenging times.

Many thanks to the COVID-19 Working Group, MCFN staff, and the Haldimand Norfolk Health Unit for helping make our Vaccine Clinics a success. At this point, 60% of our community have received at least their first dose.

Unfortunately, we have seen a rise of COVID-19 cases in our Community. We cannot stress enough how important it is to continue to follow public health guidelines and to do your part to stop the spread of COVID-19 in our community. It is important to note that this still applies to you even if you have received both doses of the Vaccine.

I want to wish all of you a Happy New Year, If you are making a new years resolution make it one of kindness!

Miigwech to everyone for selecting me once again as your Gimaa (Chief) I will do my best and I am excited about working with the new council.

The new Council have started the New Year working hard on exciting projects such as the following: Fiber Optics is being installed now, a tower is also being installed to help with connectivity. A splash pad will be completed by spring 2022. LSK expansion (read more on lifelong learning page.) Our Governance Department and Committee has many items on the go. Including a special constitution committee ready to present a draft to membership. We have the election law ready to go for a vote in the next term. And we have established a process for creating and crafting Laws that is ready for review by membership. Next up is Membership/Citizenship by us for us. Peacekeepers will begin next year, this will start small but make no mistake it has an intense long-term strategy around justice and jurisdiction and also includes job and wealth creation. We will continue to involve Members wherever and whenever possible.

We will also keep working on the organization, we all want this organization to be a happy efficient place to work.

Remembering Julie Laforme

Julie loved this first nation and she served it right up until the end and she never failed us. Even though we failed her once or twice! Proud of her commitment and honoured by her love.

Journey well my sister (auntie ace) Kiss Gilly for me!

Be Safe, Be Heard
Miigwech,

Chief R. Stacey Laforme

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

National IRS Crisis Line: 1-866-925-4419

IRSS Telephone Support Line: 1-800-721-0066

FN Inuit Hope for Wellness Help Line:

1-855-242-3310 Native Youth Crisis Hotline:

1-877-209-1266

**Kids Help Phone: 1-800-668-6868, or text
686868**



Indigenous Services
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Services aux
Autochtones Canada

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Chief R. Stacey Laforme



Councillor Evan Sault, Pillar 1 Lead: Inclusive Prosperity, Economic Growth and Job Creation



Councillor Andrea King, Pillar 2 Lead: Nation Well-Being and Wellness



Councillor Fawn Sault, Pillar 3 Lead: Environment and Sustainability Stewardship for Land, Air, Water and Natural Resources

MCFN CHIEF AND COUNCIL



**Councillor Veronica King-Jamieson, Pillar 4
Lead: Education and Awareness**



**Councillor Erma Ferrell, Pillar 5 Lead: Cultural
Awareness, Communications and Outreach**



**Councillor Ashley Sault, Pillar 6 Lead:
Infrastructure, Community and Membership
Development**



**Councillor R. Kelly LaForme, Pillar 7 Lead:
Inclusive Leadership and Governance**



Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation – Chief and Council

Term of Office – December 16th, 2021 – December 15th, 2023

Council Member	Contact	Pillar Role
Gimaa R. Stacey LaForme	905-979-9254 Stacey.LaForme@mncfn.ca	Ex-officio of all Pillars
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Fawn Sault	905-869-5805 FawnS@mncfn.ca	Pillar 3 <i>Environment & Sustainability Stewardship for Land, Water and Natural Resources</i>
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R. Kelly LaForme	905-869-5761 KellyL@mncfn.ca	Pillar 7 <i>Inclusive Leadership & Governance</i>



Recognition Awards Committee Wants Your Input

We want to simplify the nominations forms, criteria, and process. All suggestions for change/improvement are welcome. Please send your comments to awards@mncfn.ca

The current form:

- "All members of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation can be nominated for an award.
- Awards can also be made posthumously to family members.
- Current elected Council members are not eligible for nomination.

Community Volunteer Award

This award recognizes an individual who has shown outstanding generosity, resulting in service or support to MCFN through their time, actions, talents and dedication.

Eligibility Criteria

- Has worked to increase the quality of life of our Community.
- Provided significant and continuous service to the Community or Nation
- Volunteers in community committees, groups and/or projects and has contributed to their success.
- Shares knowledge in a way that promotes health and healing in the community.
- Respects the Earth's gifts and protects the environment for future generations.
- Demonstrates integrity, generosity of spirit and collaboration
- Is a role model for young people and inspires them to volunteer

I Nominate: _____ Band Member: Yes

for the award of : Community Volunteer ____

Your Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

- List the reasons why you are nominating this person to be recognized, and the impact. they have made within our community or Nation. Provide as much detail as possible.
- It is acceptable to add an attachment if needed.
- Nominees do not have to meet every criteria listed but should meet most."

February 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Breakfast Delivery 12-3pm	After School Kit Drop Off Meal & Workout Posting	1 High School Youth Group Kit P/U 4-7pm Meal & Workout Posting	2 Grade 6-8 Kit P/U 4-7pm Meal & Workout Posting	3 Children's COVID Vaccine Clinic 9-3pm Meal & Workout Posting	4 Flu Clinic(Not Covid Vaccine) Meal & Workout Posting	5
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Statement from the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation On COVID-19 February 2nd, 2021

At this time, we have 6 active cases in the Community, with 1 in hospital. 121 total cases have been resolved with 2 deaths. We are asking residents to please inform our Community Health Nurse Maggie Copeland if you have tested positive on a rapid test. Maggie can be reached at 905-516-7300 from 8 am – 8pm.

We want to say chi-miigwech to our Community Health professionals and to our COVID-19 Working Group, who have been working very hard through this pandemic to help keep our Community safe.

Current Programming

Chief and Council are continuing to look at resuming regular in-office programming and are planning on formalizing a date during their next Council meeting, scheduled for February 8th, 2022. Discussions will also take place on the return to in-person programming for all Lifelong Learning programs, including Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre, EarlyON and Lloyd S. King Elementary School.

As of January 6th, Chief and Council approved a "hard pause" on all MCFN programming and returned to essential services only. During this period, please note the following:

- Lifelong Learning programs, including Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre, EarlyON and Lloyd S. King Elementary School are remote;
- Necessary Social and Health Services programming, such as the Flu Shot and Immunization Clinics will continue, with enhanced COVID-19 precautions in place;
- LMR will be deemed essential for Community Wellness applications and on-reserve status cards;
- Payments to MCFN will continue to be made online or in person at the Administration building (front desk only).
- All offices will be manned by a Receptionist between the hours of 8:30 – 4:30. Please note, the phones will go to voice mail during the lunch period of 12:00-1:00.

Rapid Antigen Test Kit Giveaway

MCFN has received a number of COVID-19 Rapid Testing kits for a drive-thru giveaway on Feb 12th, from 9 am - until all kits have been handed out. No registration, first come - first serve. Must be in person to pick up kits, and show your MCFN status card. These are limited to one kit per household. Please be patient and expect waiting time.

Vaccine Clinic

Unfortunately, due to the impending weather, our Children's Clinic scheduled for February 3rd has been postponed until February 18th. Details will be forthcoming.

If you have any questions about the vaccine please reach out to vaccine@mncfn.ca and a Member of our Community Health team will follow-up. Please ensure you are always receiving information on the Vaccine from a reliable source to avoid the spread of misinformation.

Please note, due to data entry staffing shortages, there may be a delay in getting your booster uploaded. If you have previously provided consent and the information is still not reflected on the Provincial data base, please email the vaccine@mncfn.ca email and provide your name, address, date of birth and date your vaccine was administered. We apologize for any inconvenience, but please know we are working hard to address this.

COVID-19 Precautions and Restrictions

Effective January 31, 2022 at 12:01 a.m. Chief and Council have approved that the following precautions will be in place for the MCFN:

- Social gathering limits are 10 people indoors and 25 people outdoors (currently 5 indoors and 10 outdoors)
 - Capacity limits are 50 per cent in indoor public settings, including but not limited to restaurants and other food or drink establishments, retailers, recreational fitness facilities, including gyms and religious services, rites, or ceremonies.
 - Private businesses will no longer be required to collect personal information for the purposes of contact tracing. Please note however, that this practice will continue for in person programming within in the organization.
- Council is permitting OPP to answer reports of violations of the above precautions.

COVID-19 Symptoms – When to seek Testing

Symptoms include any of the following:

- fever or chills
- cough
- shortness of breath
- decreased or loss of taste or smell

OR any two (2) or more of the following:

- runny nose or nasal congestion
- headache
- extreme fatigue
- sore throat
- muscle aches or joint pain
- gastrointestinal symptoms (such as vomiting or diarrhea)

Testing and Isolation Periods

Due to the increased demand with testing, there is a delay for testing and results. We do however, encourage you to self-identify as a First Nation person, in order to speed up the process. If you test positive on a Rapid Antigen Test, we encourage you to reach out to the above Public Health Units for a PCR test, and to follow up with our Community Health Nurse for information on isolation requirements.

Please contact the following Public Health Offices and follow their instructions:

- Haldimand Norfolk Public Health – 519-426-6170, ext. 9999
- Six Nations COVID-19 Assessment Centre – 1-855-977-7737 or 226-446-9909
- Brant County Public Health – 519-751-5818 or at covid.assessment@bchsys.org

You can also reach out to the West Haldimand General Hospital COVID-19 Assessment Centre at 905-768-3311, extension 1113, to arrange testing.

HOW DOES COVID-19 SPREAD?

Mainly spreads from close contact with an infected person when they breathe, talk, cough or sneeze.



ACTION: Stay 6 feet from others & wear a mask.

People are contagious when they are sick & 2 days before they show symptoms.



ACTION: Stay home & self-isolate if you are sick.

Respiratory droplets can land on surfaces. The virus can live for hours, but is not easily spread this way.



ACTION: Clean surfaces & hands often.

Smaller respiratory droplets, called aerosols, can linger in the air before falling to the ground.



ACTION: Open windows. Increase airflow & ventilation.

Spreads easily when there are more people indoors, for a long period of time, with poor airflow.



ACTION: Avoid crowds, keep trips short & wear a mask.

Those who are required to self-monitor, and who are fully immunized should:

- Wear a mask and maintain physical distancing when outside of the home to reduce the risk of transmission to others in the event they become a case;
- Self-monitor for symptoms daily and self-isolate immediately if symptoms develop.

If you have not received the vaccine and have come in contact with a positive case, you still must self-isolate for 14 days. Please note, the MCFN Community Health Office is not a Public Health Office, although it does assist with contact tracing and wellness checks for those who reside on MCFN.

The MCFN Chief and Council have approved that effectively immediately, individuals who are positive with COVID-19 and who are fully vaccinated (at least 2 doses) and are not immunocompromised, as well as children under 12 years of age, will be required to self-isolate for at least 5 days after the days their symptoms begin. Individuals may come out of isolation after this period and once they are symptom free for a period of 24 hours. To note, this 5-day isolation period does not apply to those who are unvaccinated or work in the highest risk settings.

If you require emergency assistance relating to Social and Health Programs, you can contact their land line at 905-768-1181. The Receptionist will direct your call accordingly.

If you require emergency Administrative support, please contact Kerri L. King, Acting Chief Operating Officer / Executive Director of Operations, at 289-527-0364.

If you require other information or supports, we encourage you to look to our website and social media for relevant contact numbers and resources.

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



**Vaccines are
an important
tool to help
stop the spread
of COVID-19.**

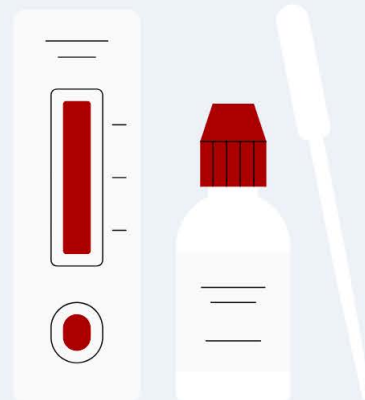


FIRST COME FIRST SERVE DRIVE-THRU **RAPID TEST GIVEAWAY**

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 12TH 2022
9:00 AM UNTIL ALL KITS ARE DISTRIBUTED

- 🦠 Drive thru pick up at the Community Centre follow the traffic signs and remain in your vehicle
- 🦠 **Open to all MCFN members** - no registration, must come in person to receive.
- 🦠 One kit per household not per vehicle (two (or more) in a car from different households is acceptable, please be prepared to show proof of different addresses if asked)
- 🦠 **Status Card must be presented in order to receive the kit**

**PLEASE BE PATIENT AND
EXPECT WAIT TIMES!**



Employment Opportunities

Visit mncfn.ca/job-board for more information and up-to-date job postings with MCFN and other organizations!

Records Manager

Closing Date: February 10 at 12:00 pm

Educational Assistant

Closing Date: February 10 at 12:00 pm

Consultation Coordinator

Closing Date: Open Until Filled

School Mental Health Worker

Closing Date: Open Until Filled

Music Instructor

Closing Date: Open Until Filled

Casual Receptionist – Updated October 2021

Closing Date: Open Call

Casual Custodian

Closing Date: Open Until Filled

Public Works – Casual Worker

Closing Date: Open Call

Casual Supply Teacher

Closing Date: Open Call

After School Program Assistant

Closing Date: Open Call

Casual Registered Early Childhood Educator – Afterschool Program

Closing Date: Open Call



Lloyd S. King Elementary School – Expansion Project

Project Notice January 2022



Colliers
Project Leaders

Project Overview

The primary construction goals of the **LSKES School Expansion Project** are to add additional classrooms to the existing school, renovate the entrance for increased security, and provide a space for early years children through the addition of a new childcare centre.

The objectives of the project are to:

- Eliminate the overcrowding concern in the existing school;
- Promote a healthy and safe learning environment for students;
- Develop an inviting, culturally relevant environment in which community members are partners in the educational process;
- Provide an enabling and nurturing environment for all students and staff;
- Reduce O&M costs for the community;
- Improved the pick-up and drop-off system creating a safer environment.



Image Source: +VG Architects – Concept Renders

Accomplishments to-date

- The full detailed design package, provided by the prime consultant for the project, was completed in October 2021.
- Niacon Construction was successfully awarded as the general contractor through a competitive bidding process through November/December of 2021.
- A construction kick-off meeting was held in mid-January 2022 where scheduling was finalized for the official construction site mobilization as detailed in the schedule below.

Project Notes & Updates

- The Prime Consultant for this project is +VG Architects and the General Contractor is Niacon Construction.
- This project is being funded by Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, Indigenous Services Canada, and the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP).
- Niacon has been instructed to phase their construction to minimize the impact to school programming. All necessary safety measures will be in place to ensure students and faculty are able to continue programming.
- There is no anticipated disruption to school programming and completion is scheduled for Sept 2022.

Schedule

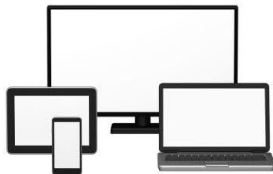
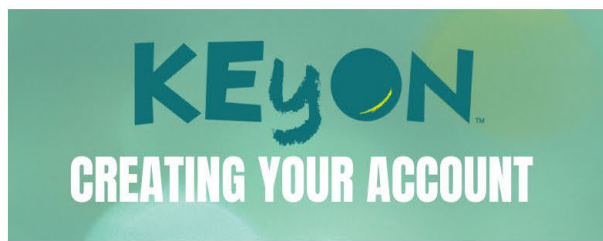
Site Mobilization	Feb. 2022 (1 st week)
Construction Start	Feb. 2022 (2 nd week)
Estimated Completion	Sept. 2022 (3 rd week)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Childcare Center Addition and Cafeteria – Estimated completion in late August • Classroom Addition and Entrance Renovation – Estimated completion in 3rd week of September 	

Community Contact

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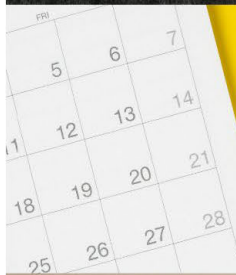


www.keyon.ca

Click on *Become a Member* to begin creating your account.

How we use info

Your information is only used for planning purposes. Each adult requires their own account.



Pre-registration

Once you have an account, you can pre-register for both virtual and in person programs at your favourite EarlyON centres.

Email Notifications

Confirm your email address to receive reminders of your pre-registrations or cancellations.



Quick Sign in

When you show up in person at the EarlyON centre, simply scan your QR tag and quickly sign in you and your child.



PROGRAMMING HAS

RESUMED! The EarlyON weekly calendar is posted on the MCFN EarlyON Facebook page.

Pre-Registration through the KeyON system is REQUIRED

Pre-registration using your KEYON account is required to attend MCFN EarlyON programs and services. Only those pre-registered will be permitted to attend.

Planning your in-person visit? Create your account and become a KEYON member today.

Login to your KEYON account and view our individual site calendar for information on the dates and locations our programs will be offered.

If you have questions about KEYON, or need assistance with registration, contact one of the following MCFN EarlyON staff members:

Katharine Brown, RECE, Coordinator
289-758-5599 or 365-323-4932

Shelby Riddell, RECE, Facilitator
shelby.riddell@mncfn.ca

Bridgette Ouwendyk, RECE, Facilitator
bridgette.ouwendyk@mncfn.ca

Jolene Hill SSW, Community Navigator
jolene.hill@mncfn.ca

Kelly Henry (Cultural Facilitator)
kelly.henry@mncfn.ca

COMMUNITY WELLNESS 2021-2022 ***2nd DISTRIBUTION***

MCFN Council has approved a 2nd Distribution for the 2021-2022 Community Wellness allocation for \$1,500.00.

THE FOLLOWING CHANGES IN PROCEDURE WILL ONLY APPLY TO THE 2021-2022 COMMUNITY WELLNESS PROCESS DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

The 2021-2022 Community Wellness – 2nd Distribution applications will be available starting October 27, 2021. Applications will be available via the mncfn.ca website or call the LMR office and we will mail or email you an application. Contact information on the next page.

Application Forms and 2 Pieces of Identification (see below)

- Will be accepted starting November 1, 2021 via mail, email or drop off via our mail slot at the Lands, Membership & Research office at 6 First Line.
- This 2nd distribution is different from the initial Community Wellness payment of \$2000, therefore Members must use the new 2nd Distribution application form for \$1500. Applications will not be accepted if other forms are used.
- Direct deposit (CANADIAN ACCOUNTS ONLY) is the preferred method of payment, your name must appear on your void cheque or direct deposit form NO EXCEPTIONS. If your name is NOT on your void cheque or direct deposit form, a cheque will be mailed to you. Not applicable if there are no changes to your banking information.
- If you have requested a cheque, it will be mailed to you. Please ensure your address is up to date and complete.
- You do not need to submit a quote, receipt or estimate this year only!
- All payments will start after November 15, 2021

Acceptable Valid ID (MUST BE PROVIDED A COPY OF THE FRONT & BACK OF ID)

- Birth certificate
- Status card
- Health card
- Driver's license
- Employee / Student ID, with digitized photo
- Firearms license
- Passport or Nexus card

Contact information:

Phone: 1-905-768-0100

Email: cw@mncfn.ca

Mailing Address:

**Lands, Membership & Research
2789 Mississauga Rd
Hagersville, ON
N0A 1H0**

If you have any questions please call the LMR office Monday to Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 PM.

MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION

COMMUNITY WELLNESS EXPENSE CLAIM FORM-ADULT 2021-2022 – 2nd DISTRIBUTION

Mailing Address: LMR/Community Wellness 2789 Mississauga Rd., R.R. #6 Hagersville, ON N0A 1H0

Email: cw@mncfn.ca

FULL NAME (as it appears on your Status Card):	REGISTRY NUMBER (10 DIGIT):
FULL MAILING ADDRESS (including Postal/Zip Code):	BIRTHDATE (YYYY-MM-DD):
EMAIL ADDRESS (required if getting Direct Deposit):	TELEPHONE NUMBER (including area code):
<p>PLEASE INDICATE THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cheque Mail Out</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Direct Deposit (Canada only)*</p> <p>*Include a void cheque or direct deposit form*</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> On File <input type="checkbox"/> New Account</p>	<p>All applications must include front and back photocopies of 2 pieces of ID, 1 being photo ID. Please ensure that all information on each ID is clearly visible.</p>

I hereby authorize the use of my address/email for various MCFN initiatives (such as. Voter's List, MCFN Community Trust, Eagle Press Newsletter, Governance Community Engagement, Internal Department's use). Under no circumstances will MCFN share your personal information with outside agencies.

(BAND MEMBERS PLEASE INITIAL HERE)

X <i>Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>	Total Receipts:
		Amount: \$ 1,500.00

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Documents provided for identity: _____ Department's Initials _____

☐ Status Card ☐ Confirmation of Status ☐ D.L. ☐ H.C. ☐ B.C. ☐ Other ID (_____)

Amount Claimed:	Remaining Balance:

Account Number:	64300
Dept. Number:	100030
Cheque Number:	
Cheque Date:	

Department Signature: _____

Date Received _____

MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION

COMMUNITY WELLNESS EXPENSE CLAIM FORM-CHILDREN (Newborn-17 Years) 2021-2022

2nd DISTRIBUTION

Mailing Address: LMR/Community Wellness 2789 Mississauga Rd., R.R. #6 Hagersville, ON N0A 1H0

Email: cw@mncfn.ca

CHILD'S FULL NAME (as it appears on Status Card):	CHILD'S REGISTRY NUMBER (10 Digit):
NAME OF LEGAL PARENT/GUARDIAN: (proof of legal custody)	LEGAL PARENT/GUARDIAN'S REGISTRY NUMBER:
COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS:	CHILD'S BIRTHDATE (YYYY-MM-DD):
PARENT/GUARDIAN EMAIL ADDRESS (Required for Direct Deposit):	TELEPHONE NUMBER (including area code):
PLEASE INDICATE THE FOLLOWING: <input type="checkbox"/> Cheque Mail Out <input type="checkbox"/> Direct Deposit (Canada Only)* *Include a void cheque or direct deposit form* <input type="checkbox"/> On File <input type="checkbox"/> New Account	All applications must include front and back photocopies of 1 piece of minor ID and 1 piece of parent/guardian photo ID.

X	Total Receipts:
Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____	Amount: \$ 1,500.00

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Documents provided for identity of child and parent/guardian: _____ Department's Initials _____

☐ Status Card ☐ Confirmation of Status ☐ Proof of Legal Custody ☐ D.L. ☐ H.C. ☐ B.C. ☐ Other I.D. (☐)

Amount Claimed:		Remaining Balance:	

Account Number:	64300
Dept. Number:	100030
Cheque Number:	
Cheque Date:	

Department Signature: _____

Date Received _____

Community Wellness Due Dates

Community Wellness runs on the fiscal year April 1st - March 31st of the following year. With an additional 30-day (Month of April) grace period to apply for the previous Community Wellness distribution.

Example:

Community Wellness will start new again April 1, 2022 and will run until March 31, 2023 (with the 30-day grace period). Meaning you can apply for Community Wellness anytime within that fiscal year.

If you do not apply within that fiscal year, the Community Wellness fiscal year distribution is no longer available to you.

**If you have any questions please call Lands,
Membership & Research at 905-768-0100
or email cw@mncfn.ca**



LANDS, MEMBERSHIP AND RESEARCH
DEPARTMENT

Lands, Membership & Research Department

Office Hours

Monday to Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm

Closed daily for lunch from 12noon to 1:00pm

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LANDS, MEMBERSHIP & RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

CERTIFICATE OF INDIAN STATUS CARDS (CIS)

- Status cards are issued by appointment only, every Thursday and Friday.
- We will issue status cards to members of other First Nations for an additional fee and with permission from their First Nation.
- Adults 16 years and older must provide 2 pieces of ID with one being a photo ID.
- Minors 15 years old and younger must have 1 piece of their own ID and 1 piece of parent/guardian photo ID.
- **NOTE**: Expired ID will not be accepted, with the exception of expired status cards on the condition the expiry date is no more than 6 months. We **DO NOT** accept photocopies of ID.
- **Acceptable ID**: birth certificate, health card, drivers licence, provincial photo ID card, Employee ID (with digitized photo), Student ID (with digitized photo), status card (cannot be expired for more than 6 months), firearms licence, Passport/Nexus card (counts as two pieces of ID)

CERTIFICATE OF INDIAN STATUS (CIS) vs SECURE CERTIFICATE OF INDIAN STATUS CARDS (SCIS)

- CIS cards are only issued by the First Nation (Beige with red strip)
- SCIS cards are only issued by Indigenous Services Canada (hard plastic, white card)

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If you have any questions or to book an appointment please call the Lands, Membership & Research Department at 905-768-0100.



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We partner with other agencies in the Brantford/Brant and Mississaugas of the Credit First Nations Community to strengthen support networks and deliver programs that help families in need.

What is a Foster Family?

When a child needs to be brought to a place of safety, the goal is for the child to return to their family. Foster families provide a temporary home for children while in the care of Brant FACS. If the child is unable to return to their family, foster parents provide support while the agency searches for a permanent home for the children. Depending on the circumstances, children and teens may need foster care for a few days, a few weeks, a few months or longer.

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Each is going through a troubled period in their family life. All need warmth, acceptance, structure and consistency.

Brant FACS ensures that children and youth are placed in foster homes where their unique needs can be met.

Foster Parents are:

Caring individuals, couples and families who can give infants, children and youth stability, warmth, understanding, consistency and structure.

- Families who want to reach out to children and youth in need from their community, or from their extended family.
- Families who can meet the special needs of children and youth.
- Families who will enjoy the challenges and rewards of foster family care.
- Families who are willing to work with FACS and the child's family with the goal of the child returning home or to another permanent home.

Becoming a Foster Parent

If you are interested in becoming a foster parent or want to know more about fostering, please call 519-753-8681 or toll free 1-888-753-8681 and ask to speak with our Resources staff.

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**Please be advised the
Children's COVID Vaccine Clinic
has been POSTPONED to:**

Clinic Date: Friday, February 18th

Time: 9 – 2 pm

Where: MCFN Community Centre



To Register call Social & Health at 905 768 0141 ext 240 or email vaccine@mncfn.ca by Thursday February 17th by 4pm any calls after will be placed on a stand by list.

Health Canada has approved the use of Pfizer-BioNTech also known as Comirnaty COVID Vaccine in Children 5 – 11 years of age.

NACI (National Advisory Committee on Immunization) recommends that children receive the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine (10 mcg) at least 14 days before or after another vaccine.

2nd Dose for children will be scheduled 8 weeks after the 1st dose.

Please call Community Health if you have any questions 905 768 0141 ext 240.

Cancer Screening During COVID-19: What You Need to Know January 27, 2022

What is cancer screening?

Cancer screening tests help find cancer early when you are feeling well and before you start to feel symptoms. Cancer screening is important because cancer is easier to treat when it is found early.

There are 3 free cancer screening programs in Ontario for breast, cervical and colon cancers. You can find out more about what tests are right for you at <https://hnhbscreenforlife.ca/>.

Can I still get screened during the COVID-19 pandemic?

Yes! Although the Government of Ontario recently re-instated Directive #2 that allows hospitals and other providers to delay some non-urgent services if needed, most hospitals, clinics and primary care providers in our area are continuing to provide cancer screening services.

The Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant Regional Cancer Program recommends that you attend your scheduled cancer screening appointment or that you book an appointment if it is time for you to get screened.

Where can I get screened?

Program	Where
Ontario Breast Screening Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At one of 25 OBSP sites in our region: https://hnhbscreenforlife.ca/breast-screening/general-population/ You can book your own appointment. A requisition/ order is not needed from your doctor/ nurse practitioner
Ontario Cervical Screening Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At your family doctor/ nurse practitioner's office If you do not have a doctor/ nurse practitioner, call Health Care Connect at 1-800-445-1822
ColonCancerCheck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A do-at-home 'poop test' can be ordered for you through your family doctor/ nurse practitioner If you do not have a doctor/ nurse practitioner, call Telehealth Ontario at 1-866-828-9213

Is it safe for me to attend a screening appointment?

It is normal to be concerned about attending a medical appointment at this time. Clinics and hospitals have measures in place to make sure that your visit is safe.

What are my next steps?

- 1 Getscreened if you are due.** Early detection is key! Screening is especially important if you are high risk, have never been screened, or have had a screening test in the past that needed follow-up.
- 2 Attend your appointment.** If you need to cancel or change your appointment, give as much notice as possible so that your time can be given to another person who is waiting. If you don't know if your appointment has been changed due to the pandemic, call the site or provider to ask.
- 3 Check out the hospital or clinic website before your visit so that you know what to expect.** There may be tools, like online COVID-19 screening, that you can do before your appointment to avoid line-ups.
- 4 Practice patience.** It may take longer than usual for your call to be returned due to changes in staffing to respond to the pandemic. Your call is important and will be returned as soon as possible.



**Hamilton Niagara Haldimand
Brant Regional Cancer Program**
in partnership with Cancer Care Ontario



MCFN Mending Broken Hearts

Research Project in partnership with McMaster University (Dr. Bernice Downey), De dwa da dehs nye>s, and Lake St. Martin First Nation

The primary goal of this research is to expand the body of knowledge regarding Indigenous women at risk of or living with cardiovascular disease and stroke (CVD/s). We hope to understand how Indigenous “ways of knowing” about their well-being can assist indigenous women with personal agency around wellness and CVD/s, and assist with their therapeutic relationship within their circles of care.

Chii-Miigwech to MCFN women, community leaders, and traditional health practitioners (THP) for participating with this important research. To date the project has completed:

- story telling circle and analyzed data from the circle,
- Held gatherings of 1) women leaders, 2) Community partners coming together
- Pivoted research due to Covid-19
- Recruited and interviewed Indigenous Women(IW) and traditional health practitioners

Future activities will include:

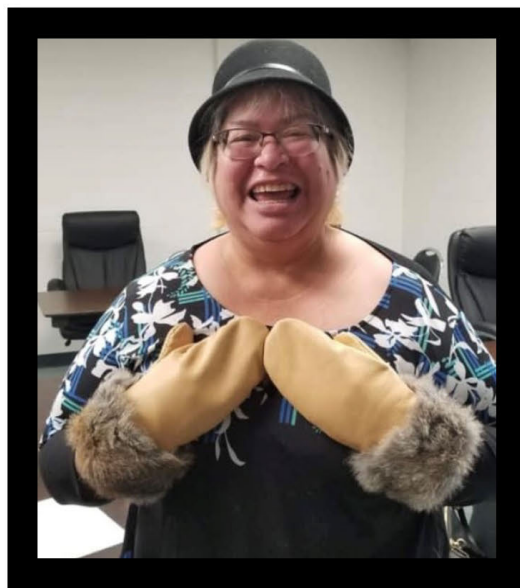
- transcribing, coding, analysis of input from interviews
- Recruitment of health practitioners (interview, analyze)
- Develop curriculum that integrates input of IW & THP. Deliver training to HCPs
- Deliver workshop for IW and Youth
- 2nd set of interviews with women to measure differences in well-being (self-care and relationship with circle of care providers)



The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Chief and Council are saddened to learn of the passing of former Councillor Julie A. LaForme.

Julie served the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation in many capacities, including the Lands, Research and Membership Community Consultation Officer for over 25 years, Chair of the Mississaugas of the New Credit Community Trust for over 15 years, and most recently, she completed a total of 4 years as a MCFN Band Councillor, with her term ending only a few days ago.

Moreover, Julie was a lifelong, dedicated volunteer within the community and was known and loved by many. Julie advocated tirelessly for her First Nation and our people, and demonstrated the Grandfather Teachings in all that she did.



Julie will be greatly missed by everyone in the community. She truly loved this First Nation. The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Council wish to extend our sincerest and most heartfelt condolences to Julie's family and friends during this difficult time.

Chi-miigwech Julie, baamaapii.



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