



COMMUNITY NOTICE

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MCA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH COMMUNITY UPDATE

March 25, 2020

The Mohawk Council of Akwesasne's Department of Health is working tirelessly to ensure that essential programs and services continue to be delivered to the community. As a preventative measure to protect our community and our staff, we are strongly discouraging any and all activities that would allow for community and people to congregate; for example, social gatherings of 50 people or more within the community. Public Health Ontario has provided free, public resources on self-isolation, self-monitoring, and more. Visit their website at:

<https://www.publichealthontario.ca/en/diseases-and-conditions/infectious-diseases/respiratory-diseases/novel-coronavirus/public-resources>

New Updates:

- **Department of Health Administration is monitoring the progression of COVID-19 cases in the Eastern Ontario region**, and as a preventative measure have prepared a COVID-19 Response Advisory on the topic of Avoiding Non-Essential Travel and Large Gatherings in this week's edition of Indian Time Newspaper and mailed to households in Tsi Snaihne, Kana:takon, and Kawehno:ke.
- **Iakhihsohtha Home for the Elderly** staff have maintained operations for residents in the facility, and are well stocked with food and supplies – ensuring our Totas are being well taken care of. Staff have been reaching out to resident's families to keep them updated, setting up FaceTime video conferencing with family when possible. Visit MCA's Facebook Page for messages from the residents at Iakhihsohtha.
- **Tsiionkwanonhso:te Long Term Care Facility** staff have also maintained operations for residents in the facility, and are also well stocked with food and supplies. Staff are have been reaching out to resident's families to keep them updated on the well-being of their loved one.
- **Please be advised that access to the Kanonhkwa'tsheri:io Health Facility is limited to MCA employees only, who will be required to complete a daily health screening for respiratory symptoms before continuing into the building.** Please call the front desk at 613-575-2341 and your call will be directed accordingly.
- **Akwesasne Mohawk Ambulance** is advising community to honestly report their travel history when speaking with emergency medical technicians, 9-1-1-, and MCA dispatchers. The Akwesasne Mohawk Ambulance service and other first responders will respond to emergency calls even if a person is at risk for COVID-19.
- **Community Health Nurses** remain operational and have been responding to all questions on COVID-19, and are following up with existing clients.



- **Home Care/Home Support** hours have changed to: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and they are only providing service to priority clientele.

Previous Updates:

- **Katelyn Fedorak and Janet Brant, NP** will be seeing patients at the Kawehno:ke Medical Clinic on an urgent care only basis.
- **Proxim Pharmacy** now has curbside service available at Kanonkwa'tsheri:io, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. If you are sick, they ask that you please call ahead to make arrangements at 613-575-1160 or 613-575-2341 – ext. 3250, 3234
- **Wholistic Health and Wellness Mental Health** will have staff available to offer assistance for mental health crisis and support for community members and staff at 844-244-1060.
- **Akwesasne Dental Clinic** is closed until further notice, and in the event of a dental emergency please contact 613-935-5516.
- **Dr. Danielle Dubuc's Optometry Office** is also closed until further notice.
- **Akwesasne Medical Clinic & Kawehno:ke Medical Clinic** are not receiving any walk-in clients at this time; access to both medical clinics will be limited. Appointments with providers will be on an as needed basis, dependent on the phone triage screening and discretion. If you have any health concerns, please call the clinics prior to visiting.
- **Dr. Horn's Medical Clinic** is cancelled at Iakhihsohtha until further notice.
- **Physiotherapy** will be cancelled until further notice.
- **Dr. Saylor** — pediatric appointments will be cancelled until further notice.
- **Dr. Levac** will be providing telephone follow-ups for upcoming appointments only.
- **Dr. Torres** — appointments at the Kawehno:ke Medical Clinic will be cancelled until further notice.
- **Dr. Funnell** — appointments at the Kawehno:ke Medical Clinic will be cancelled until further notice.

Kawehno:ke Medical Clinic – (613) 575-2341 ext. 1110 or (613) 932-5808

Akwesasne Medical Clinic – (613) 575-2341 ext. 3215

Wholistic Health & Wellness Crisis Line – (844) 244-1060