

COMMUNITY NOTICE

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CORNWALL COMMUNITY HOSPITAL CEO ASSURES SAFETY DURING COVID-19

Jeannette Despatie, President and CEO of Cornwall Community Hospital (CCH), is providing reassurance to Akwesasne community members who may have questions or concerns attending CCH appointments or procedures during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Since the beginning of the pandemic, CCH has adopted key directives from the Ministry of Health, engaged closely with our counterparts at the Eastern Ontario Health Unit, developed strict on-site prevention and control protocols, adjusted workflows to meet current needs, and secured a strong supply of personal protective equipment (PPE).

Ten months of preparation has led CCH staff to a state of readiness today. Thanks to the work done earlier this year, CCH can currently keep their diagnostic imaging services open, patients are still engaged in clinics, whether virtual or in-person, essential surgeries are moving forward, and the Emergency Department continues to support patients who require urgent care. Cornwall Community Hospital remains safe to serve your needs, no matter the circumstance.

Please help us stop the local spread of COVID-19 by closely following public health recommendations as we prepare for widespread vaccination.

The good health of the Akwesasne community is important to us.