COVID-19 Update Employee and Physician Information



Memo from the Vice President

February 8, 2021

Update: Resumption of non-urgent appointments for Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon clients

After meetings with stakeholders at the provincial, federal and local level in both Newfoundland and Labrador and Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon, it has been determined that the investigation there has concluded, and all those who tested positive are nearing the end of their mandatory quarantine. The COVID-19 cluster in Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon (SPM) is considered under control and Eastern Health may resume scheduling non-urgent appointments for the SPM population starting **Monday, February 15, 2021.**

As always, please contact the Bilingual Services Office by phone at 777-8361, or by fax at 777-8366 to schedule any Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon patient appointment, or if you have any question related to a Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon client.

Patients/clients and guardians from Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon continue to be required to quarantine for the duration of their stay or up to 14 days upon arrival to Newfoundland and Labrador, with an exemption from quarantine granted to them and their guardian only in order to attend medical appointments.

While in Eastern Health facilities, contact/droplet precautions (with airborne/contact/droplet precautions for all aerosol generating medical procedures) must be used with SPM clients during that 14-day isolation period. Those patients/clients and guardians will screen positive on our screening tool and be escorted to an isolation area upon arrival to the building, where they will be put on contact/droplet isolation precautions.

For testing/isolation protocols, please refer to <u>COVID-19 Testing of Admissions and Isolation</u> <u>Requirements V8</u>.

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