

All Horizon staff, physicians and volunteers:

Thank you for your continued work in keeping our patients and clients and one another safe as the province and our hospitals and health care facilities begin to re-open to more visitors.

We are pleased to share starting tomorrow, Thursday, July 15 more family members will be able to safely visit their loved ones in our hospitals and health care facilities.

We have updated our COVID-19 visitation guidelines based on direction from our Infectious Disease (ID) and Infection Prevention & Control (IPC) team. Our primary focus continues to be ensuring the health and safety of our patients and clients, staff, physicians and communities.

Visitation guidelines are based where a visitor is travelling from and whether or not they have been vaccinated against COVID-19.

For more information, please review and share the Standard Operating Procedures (available on [Skyline](#)) and [key messages](#).

We must continue to ensure any visitors to our hospitals and health care facilities adhere to our Infection Prevention and Control guidelines in order to mitigate the risk of an outbreak of COVID-19 occurring in our hospitals, as this would significantly compromise our ability to deliver critical services.

This afternoon, jointly with our colleagues at Vitalité Health Network, we will issue the attached public service announcement to the media and public. Again, new visitation guidelines will be in effect as of tomorrow, Thursday, July 15.

Sincerely,

Karen McGrath
President & CEO
Horizon Health Network