

Coronavirus Covid-19

Second communique for the Wales Home and CHSLD Wales Inc. Information as of March 12th, 2020

Following the Press conference of this morning:

There are 13 infected people in Quebec, 2 are hospitalised. The goal of these measures is to slow the spread of the virus and to protect our residents that are fragile.

The Government wants citizen to understand that Quebec is not in a crisis – we are still in crisis **PREVENTION** and everyone's daily practices are important to prevent a crisis. The next few weeks are going to be critical

There is no transmission of the Virus in the community at this moment – infected people are travelers. Recommendations will be different when transmission will happen

Understand that these measures are severe to prevent the introduction of the Virus at the Wales Home. We are in control and there is a very low risk for the community at this time.

AS OF TODAY:

ALL TRAVELERS WORKING IN HEALTHCARE, COMING BACK FROM ANY COUNTRY, **NEED TO REMAIN AT HOME FOR 14 DAYS** and call *Info Santé* with any symptoms that would show up

DO NOT TRAVEL is today's government request
Events (in Quebec) of greater than 250 people are going to be canceled

TODAY'S IMPACTS FOR THE WALES HOME

Visitors

As we are unable to filter visitors 24/7 with their symptoms or traveling history, **ALL VISITS TO THE WALES HOME OR TO THE CHSLD WALES ARE NOW CLOSED** until further notice or until better monitoring measures are put implemented
Communicate with the Director of Health Services for an authorization

Employees

Employees are asked to cancel any trip abroad – to the United States included
It is mandatory to communicate with the DHS if you have been travelling, even for less than 24

hours, in ANY Country, for ANY length of time.

As of today, anyone who returns from abroad (plane or car) must remain isolated at home for 14 days

If you were back before today (March 12th) from abroad, and start to present symptoms within 14 days of your return, call the DHS for indications BEFORE coming to work.

All employees are to wash their hands with soap and water for 20 seconds when entering the building

For all

It is recommended to avoid unnecessary gathering

Do not shake hands

Have proper standard prevention hygiene: cough in your elbow, dispose of facial tissue quickly, wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds as often as possible

Postpone all unnecessary trips abroad – if not possible, put yourself in quarantine for 14 days

Further information will be shared daily

Thank you for your immediate collaboration on this matter

Info Santé: 811

General information on Covid-19, phone line: 1 877 644-4545

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I can be contacted at anytime with any questions. If you can not get a hold of me, Erica Vander Wal ext. 248, Brendalee Piironen ext. 254 and all supervisors ext. 2323, have my personal cellphone number

Sources:

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