

Cleveland, Thursday, October 14th, 2021

Residents, Employees, and Family Members

RE: SIXTY-SIXTH WALES COVID-19 UPDATE

Dear Residents, Employees, and Family Members,

POSITIVE NEWS! Today, The Minister of Health and Social Services, Christian Dubé, as well as the Minister responsible for Seniors and Caregivers, Marguerite Blais, announced that the nursing staff of long-term care facilities (CHSLD) privés non conventionnés (PNC) and private residences for seniors (RPA) will benefit from the same exceptional measures of attraction and retention as nurses from the public sector in order to maintain access to services for all seniors, due to the current context of labor scarcity.

This funding is a continuation of the transitional measures aimed at attracting and retaining nursing care personnel in the health and social services network, announced on September 23.

In PNC CHSLDs, this funding, which represents a lump sum of \$15,000, in two installments, to Nurses and LPNs who are currently employed or newly hired who will chose to work full time for the next year. Details of the application of this incentive will be shared with employees once we receive them.

For RPA Nurses and LPNs, this amount will be \$ 7,500, also payable in two installments.

A friendly reminder that tomorrow, Friday, October 15th, 2021, all visitors, and volunteers must be fully protected to enter the Wales building. Visit Coordinators will use the VaxiCode Verif application to scan Quick Response (QR) codes; photo identification may be requested. Guests from outside Québec who do not have a QR code must present a valid photo ID including their address and the official proof of vaccination provided by their province or country. Please remember that only *one* household can be in the entryway at Door Number One at a time to respect a two-metre distance.

We will continue to provide you with regular updates, and we encourage you to contact us with questions or concerns or visit our website at www.waleshome.ca/all-the-news for more updates. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding as we navigate these ever-changing Public Health measures together to protect our residents.

Sincerely,



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