

To: All staff and physicians
From: Maura McKinnon, Chief Human Resource Officer
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Re: **Fredericton Restrictions and Continuous Use of Facial Protection**

Staff and physician restrictions

Please note the following applies to all Horizon staff and physicians in the Fredericton area:

- a restriction on all unnecessary movement, travel, and contact with others within your facility is now in place (please note that this does not apply to movement required for direct work-related purposes)
- staff and physicians who have worked at the DECRH, SCCR, VHU or Pavilion since May 10 are not to move between Horizon facilities
- staff and physicians in the Fredericton Area are not to travel to another Area unless for patient-care reasons (i.e. patient transfer)

Staff and physicians are reminded to self monitor for symptoms and to contact Employee Health and Wellness (1-833-978-2580) if you have one of the symptoms for further screening and possible referral to a COVID-19 Assessment Centre.

Continuous Use of facial protection

The use of face masks and eye protection, together with diligent hand hygiene, are most critical for preventing transmission of respiratory infections.

Please note that **effective immediately**, the continuous use of facial protection (medical grade face mask and goggles/face shield) is mandatory for all HCWs in all clinical settings in the Fredericton area.

All HCWs working in non-high-risk clinical settings will wear facial protection (medical grade face mask and eye protection (safety glasses)) continuously, at all times in all areas of their workplace when a physical barrier (i.e., plexiglass) is not in place to prevent transmission of droplets. The continuous use of eye protection (safety glasses) is

optional for HCWs working in non-clinical settings.

Eye Protection Ordering Information and instructions for how to clean and disinfect goggles/face shield prior to re-use are included in the document: [*Infection Prevention and Control Cleaning and Disinfection Instructions for Eye Protection and Ordering Information.*](#)