



Trail Association for Community Living

Covid-19 Information

March 17, 2020

PURPOSE: To provide direction and during the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Covid-19:

Coronaviruses are a large family of viruses that cause illness ranging from the common cold to more severe diseases such as Middle East Respiratory Syndrome and Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome. Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is a new strain that was discovered in 2019 and has not been previously identified in humans.

How to Protect Yourself and Others:

Public health authorities currently advise us to focus efforts on preventing transmission of cold and flu like illness. It is important to do the following:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water
- Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing
- Avoid others who are unwell
- Stay home when you are sick
- Report flu-like symptoms to your doctor
- Ensure your family has a plan to care for family members

TACL Specific Response:

TACL has curtailed several programs until April 1, 2020. These include:

- Thrifty Treasures closed;
- Youth Centre closed;
- Employment Program not accepting walk-ins or new appointments but are still seeing current clients;

At this time, we are asking all families and friends to restrict their visits to their loved ones except in compassionate care situations, such as end of life. While on site visitors will be required to use protective equipment in order to keep everyone safe.

TACL is encouraging staff and Persons Served to continue get out for walks in their local areas. Social distancing should be observed.

Personal Protective Equipment is available for use and must be used within the established guidelines.

As this situation is changing daily TACL will issue guidance as information becomes available to us. TACL will be following the direction of the Interior Health Authority.