

Good Afternoon,

Here are the most recent updates as of Wednesday, July 29th:

# **New Hygiene IPC Interim Guiding Document**

On May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2020 the NLCDH amended it back to work guidelines.

https://mcusercontent.com/635779dff6537ecbe6042e935/files/0d1e29b6-4592-4d8c-97fd-

fcaf86e45212/COVID 19 Infection Prevention Control IPC Amended July 25th 20 20.01.pdf

While the updated document is not quite where we are it does permit Hygiene to do most of what they were able to do before. The most important statement in this guideline is "use professional judgement". That is the same statement that the CMO made to us at a meeting with Government. It is a trust issue and the public is trusting that you have done all that you can do to control the spread of the virus in your clinic. If you have any questions or comments on the attached let me know and I can try to get answers.

#### **CDA Situation Report**

http://www.cda-adc.ca/newsletters/covid-19/2020/july/2020-07-24-CDA-COVID-UPDATE.html

CDA conducts and distributes a weekly situation report that shows the volume and

nature of dental office activity as reflected in claims submitted via ITRANS. Some highlights from the report for this week (July 24th, 2020) are:

- COVID-19 Situational
  - Report <a href="https://mcusercontent.com/635779dff6537ecbe6042e935/files/f4ff6288">https://mcusercontent.com/635779dff6537ecbe6042e935/files/f4ff6288</a>
    -91ce-4607-a677-
  - bbe559e934d1/Situation Report Dental Office Activity 2020 07 27.01.pdf
- Advocacy Update Significant Changes Proposed to Wage Subsidy Program
- CDA's Return to Practice Task Force Update
- Health Canada Product Recalls Hand Sanitizers

# **The Gathering Place Dental Clinic**

We have great news! We have been told that The Gathering Place Dental Clinic is preparing to open it's doors.

Of course, the Dental Clinic needs volunteers to run so we are looking to you, the NLDA members, to see if you're available to volunteer some of your time. If you're available or have any questions please contact the NLDA office via email: <a href="mailto:nfdental@nfld.net">nfdental@nfld.net</a> or phone: (709) 579-2362.

#### **Mental Health and Wellness**

Maintaining good mental health and wellness continues to be a priority. Many organizations have developed apps to offer individuals mental health support, tips and other helpful information.

Mental health and wellness support through CDSPI's Members' Assistance Program (MAP) can be accessed by calling 1.844.578.4040 or visiting <a href="https://www.workhealthlife.com/">https://www.workhealthlife.com/</a>

### **Media Updates**

Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) Changes

Harris & Co. has written a thorough new article on the recent substantive changes to the CEWS detailing changes which may have a significant impact on employers. <a href="https://harrisco.com/impact-of-bill-c-20-substantive-amendments-to-the-cews/">https://harrisco.com/impact-of-bill-c-20-substantive-amendments-to-the-cews/</a>

Our next update will be Wednesday afternoon, August 5th. We will continue to keep you updated.

Kind Regards,

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