

PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTION BY THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH, ISSUED MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2020

AS PART OF OUR COLLECTIVE PUBLIC HEALTH MEASURES TO CONTAIN AND PREVENT POTENTIAL WIDESPREAD COMMUNITY ACTIVITY OF THE COVID-19 VIRUS, I, DR. PAUL ROUMELIOTIS, MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH, STRONGLY RECOMMEND THE FOLLOWING:

1. The temporary closure of the following types of establishments, effective March 18, 2020 until further notice:

- ***Bars***
- ***Churches and other places of worship***
- ***Daycare centres (includes all licenced and private homebased centres)***
- ***Dine-in restaurants****
- ***Libraries***
- ***Nightclubs***
- ***Private schools***
- ***Recreation centres***
- ***Theatres***

**Businesses that provide food takeout and delivery options can continue providing their services to the public.*

2. The banning of all gatherings of groups larger than 50 people.

3. Avoid non-essential travel outside of our country until further notice. All persons returning from to Canada from abroad will need to self isolate for 14 days.

4. All area residents should stay home as much as possible and avoid non-essential outings. People going to get groceries or other essentials should ensure they take the proper precautions such as frequent handwashing, avoiding face to face contact and keeping a distance of about 2 meters from others.

THE ABOVE DIRECTIVES MAY BE MODIFIED, CHANGED, OR EXTENDED AT ANY TIME BASED ON TRENDS OF COMMUNITY WIDE COVID-19 ACTIVITY.



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