



## MEMORANDUM

To: All Employees of OPTIONS NORTHWEST  
Cc: UNIFOR 229  
From: Mark Beazley, on behalf of the Pandemic Team  
Date: June 11, 2021  
Re: COVID-19 update/Ontario Re-opening

**Please place in the COVID-19 binders**

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Happy Friday,

Most of us are aware that the province has entered into phase 1 of re-opening and easing some restrictions in public places for the next 21 days or less.

While this is good news for people wanting a return to some normalcy, we need to stay the course and not let our guard down.

We are encouraging you to not take or transport individuals to **indoor** public places at this time. This has been our stance for quite a while and it has been decided that today by the pandemic team it is not the right time to start doing such activities.

However, we do encourage you to take or transport individuals to enjoy any **outdoor** activities that are permitted in our community.

Please use the enhanced precautions such as disinfecting vehicle when transporting individuals and adhere to wearing proper PPE at all times while doing so windows down if weather permits.

Outdoor visits at the home will continue but we need to be mindful of how long they can take place as they are still supervised. This will be decided home by home to work out those kinds of logistics.

Visitation to family homes is permitted as well and again communication between family and the home as to length of time away will be dependent upon each home to decide what works best for both parties.

At this time overnight visits are not permitted and as of today the individual who stays overnight must quarantine for 14 days upon returning which would be difficult to manage.

A reminder: nothing has changed for individuals wanting to leave the home and do things on their own e.g./ Walks, however we should still be educating on the importance of proper hand hygiene and wearing PPE if they are going to an indoor public space or place.

We will monitor the next couple of weeks to see how the community does with phase 1 of reopening. If any new direction is given from Public Health or the Ministry we will be sure to pass the message on to you.

Enjoy the sunshine when you can, thank you for all that you do.

Mark Beazley