

## Press release

## LIMITATION OF VISITS TO USERS IN ISOLATION

**Baie-Comeau, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020** – The Centre intégré de santé et de services sociaux (CISSS) de la Côte-Nord wishes to inform the population of certain limitations regarding visits to patients in isolation that will be effective on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and will be active for an unspecified period of time.

Specifically, visits to users in isolation in all facilities of the CISSS de la Côte-Nord will be limited to <u>one visitor per day</u>, during the visiting hours determined by the department. The visitor will be able to stay as long as they want during their visit, but will not be allowed to return if they leave the room. This number may be re-evaluated for humanitarian reasons.

We ask that visitors limit their visits as much as possible, and that they verify that they will be able to visit the person in isolation beforehand. We encourage the use of alternative methods of communications (for example, Facebook, Messenger, FaceTime, etc.).

This decision was taken to ensure the safety of hospitalized persons, as well as their family members, in a context where rigorous and wise use of individual protection equipment (mask, gown, goggles and gloves) was made necessary due to the appearance of the Coronavirus.

The CISSS will let the population know when the situation is back to normal.

The CISSS de la Côte-Nord thanks the population for its precious collaboration.

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