

## Press release

## MODIFICATION OF THE EMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION SERVICE IN SCHEFFERVILLE

**Baie-Comeau, December 20, 2023** – The Centre intégré de santé et de services sociaux (CISSS) de la Côte-Nord informs the population of Schefferville and the surrounding area that emergency intervention and transportation services will be ensured by first responders from December 21<sup>st</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> inclusive.

Within the context of the shortage of ambulance staff, this temporary solution is implemented to ensure the health and safety of the population of Schefferville, Matimekush-Lac John and Kawawachikamach. The first responder service is available by calling 1 833 724-0171 and includes the following clinical acts:

- Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and use of automated external defibrillator (AED);
- Administration of epinephrine (anaphylaxis);
- Administration of naloxone (opioid poisoning);
- Administration of oxygen;
- Immobilization and hemorrhages control in traumatology.

Depending on the needs, the first responder team can ensure transportation of the user with the ambulance vehicle to the appropriate facility, as well as transportation between establishments and to the airport.

The population can call the Info-Santé 811 service for advice at any time for a non-urgent health problem.

The CISSS de la Côte-Nord thanks its partners involved in the implementation of this alternative solution to ensure services to the population during this period.

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