

## WHEN VISITING A LOVED ONE, FOLLOW VISIT GUIDELINES

**Baie-Comeau, October 2, 2024** – Due to the presence of outbreaks related to various viruses in some facilities, the Centre intégré de santé et de services sociaux (CISSS) de la Côte-Nord wants to reiterate the importance of following visit guidelines in order to protect vulnerable people.

There are currently outbreaks of COVID-19 in the short-term geriatric unit and intensive functional rehabilitation unit (UCDG-URFI) of the Hôpital de Sept-Îles, at the Centre multiservices de santé et de services sociaux de Havre-Saint-Pierre (short-term hospitalization) and in CHSLDs in Forestville and Blanc-Sablon. A gastroenteritis outbreak was also reported on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Centre multiservices de santé et de services sociaux de Havre-Saint-Pierre (long-term care).

During an outbreak, visits are only allowed for caregivers (one at a time) or on compassionate grounds (e.g., person at the end of life). Caregivers with signs of cough, fever or gastrointestinal symptoms, among others, should postpone their visit. Based on the type of outbreak, visitors and staff members may be required to wear a mask. If necessary, on-site staff can clarify the measures in effect.

In some environments, visiting hours must also be respected. For more details, consult the [website](#) of the CISSS de la Côte-Nord.

The CISSS de la Côte-Nord thanks you for your cooperation.

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