



COVID-19: Re-introduction to Clinical Services in First Nation Communities

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, First Nation communities have been enforcing community lockdowns to protect all community members from contracting the virus. Easing of restrictions has started and we must remain vigilant in our efforts to keep the virus out of our communities. Communities have started to receive more services at the community level.

External supports have also started to look at re-introducing clinical services at the community level. All public health measures must be adhered to before, during, and after the community visit.

Pre-Visit

- Service providers need to be available for a conference call before they travel into the community to receive updates on activities and receive direction
- Due to confidentiality and privacy reasons, this call will only be with the people who are providing direct supports and who the community selects to attend
- Service providers will complete a COVID-19 test prior to visit??

Visit

- Public health measures and social distancing guidelines must be respected and practiced
- Service providers will be active and visible in the community
- Service providers will work to support front line staff and other community resources
- Service providers will document all activities and questions/concerns that arise during the visit
- Service providers are asked to consider providing Radio shows for educational purpose
- Direction will come from the community contact and/or Leadership

Post-Visit

- Self monitor
- Share relevant community information with their supervisor and/or appropriate SLFNHA department