



November 19, 2020

Dear families, advocates and friends,

We are now well into the second wave of the pandemic and the Waterloo Region Public Health department has changed the level of community risk related to COVID-19. As of November 14, we are facing new restrictions including:

- “Limit on community programming to 5 individuals at our current day settings. Virtual delivery is STRONGLY encouraged as an alternative.
- Short stay absences must be limited to activities that enable health and important life activities (e.g. school, work, doctor’s appointments etc). As a general rule, a person supported is expected to practice physical distancing, hand hygiene and to wear a face covering when on a short stay absence.
- Essential visits and essential outdoor absences are permitted on an individual basis where the relationship is necessary to maintain the person’s health, wellness and safety
- Non-essential and designated indoor visits are prohibited
- Limited, supervised, non-essential outdoor visits with physical distancing are permitted. Visits must be scheduled in advance”

We recognize that the situation is fluid and we may need to implement further measures as this second wave progresses and as COVID cases continue to rise. We greatly appreciate your cooperation with these updated guidelines. It is our priority to safeguard the health and safety of all of those we support in our homes as well as our exceptional staff teams. Thank you for your support.

If you have any questions regarding these updated restrictions, please contact Diana Darcey (dianad@pclkw.org) or Mary Anne Linka (maryannel@pclkw.org) via email or contacting the office.

Sincerely,

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