

HEALTHCARE PROVIDER ALERT

February 25, 2021



IMPORTANT UPDATES ON COVID-19

To: Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, Nurses, and Midwives
Hospital Infection Control Departments and Emergency Departments

Further to Monday's HCP alert, the following information has been updated.

We have received clarification from the Ministry that ALL household contacts of a symptomatic person **must** self-isolate until a negative result is received. The Ministry self-assessment tools have been updated to reflect this change. The only exception to this are essential health care workers who can work in self-isolation. Guidance on how to work in self-isolation can be found [here](#) / [French version](#). This change in provincial guidance is due to the increasing prevalence of the more contagious variants of concern.

The Assessment Centres are actively working with Ontario Health North to address turnaround times and to onboard ID NOW machines as soon as possible.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your local Timiskaming Health Unit:

Monday to Friday

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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