

To: Clients, Families and Friends
CC: Staff and Board of Directors
From: Sherry Kerr, Executive Director
Date: June 9, 2022
Re: Continued Mask Wearing for PSS Staff and Visitors

Please note the following update received from the Ministry of Health:

Dr. Kieran Moore, Chief Medical Officer of Health, [issued a statement](#) that on June 11, 2022, the remaining [Directives](#) will also be revoked and replaced with Ministry of Health guidance for health care workers and organizations. This includes guidance on when masks should be worn in hospitals and other health care settings.

To continue providing an additional layer of protection for the most vulnerable, masks will still be required in long-term care and retirement homes. Masking is recommended in higher risk congregate living settings, such as shelters and group homes.

Thus, Participation Support Services will require that staff working at the Bell Lane site, the Stedman Home and at Colborne Street continue to wear masks when providing care to residents/tenants and when not able to physically distance from others. The use of eye protection will also remain in place until further consultation.

We will continue to monitor visitors in the same manner. Visitors to the Bell Lane site or Stedman House must wear masks when visiting indoors.

The Outreach/Assisted Living staff have been **HIGHLY** encouraged to continue to wear masks when supporting community clients.

Please feel free to reach out to me, skerr@pssbrantford.org at any time with any questions or concerns.

With Regards,

Sherry R. Kerr, Executive Director