

## Memorandum / Note de service

To / Destinataire : All Health PEI Primary Care Staff & Family Physicians/Nurse Practitioners

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Subject / Objet : Primary Care Services

The CPHO has ordered Circuit Breaker measures to contain the spread of COVID-19 on PEI. Services within Health PEI Primary Care sites may be affected by staff redeployment to support testing, contact tracing and vaccine preparation. With this re-deployment of primary care network staff, there may be staffing challenges in these sites over the next two weeks as the Circuit Breaker measures continue. These measures are temporary and it is hoped staff will be able to be repatriated after December 21<sup>st</sup>, provided there has been an appropriate decrease in COVID-19 cases on PEI. CPHO is managing a community outbreak in hopes of avoiding community spread.

We thank you in advance for your patience and understanding with these staffing challenges and encourage you to pivot and utilize Virtual Care delivery during this time and while the pandemic continues as per CPHO guidance.

Primary Care providers and staff are encouraged to keep up to date on the most recent Public Health guidance. (<https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/health-and-wellness/pei-covid-19-circuit-breaker-december-2020>)