

On February 15th 2022, the Ministry of Children, Community, and Social Services (MCCSS) updated their directives around activity restrictions. This updated document will outline those changes for visitors, people who use our services, and employees of Christian Horizons.

Recreational Outings (activities for pleasure) for the most part fall in line with the restrictions in the Re-Opening Ontario Act. For more details on what is permitted in the current stage of the Re-Opening Ontario Act, please click [here](#).

This document includes situations as outlined by MCCSS and further clarifies situations unique to Christian Horizons employees.

ACTIVITY	MCCSS GUIDANCE	Outbreak
VISITS		
<p>ESSENTIAL VISITOR</p> <p>An essential visitor is generally a person who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performs essential services to support the ongoing operation of a service agency (including a contractor); and/or • Considered necessary to maintain the health, wellness and safety, or any applicable legal rights, of a congregate living resident. <p>An essential visitor may include but is not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A parent/guardian • Social service workers (e.g., child welfare workers, day program operators etc.), Health care providers (e.g., doctor, nurse, personal) <p>NON-ESSENTIAL VISITOR</p> <p>A non-essential visitor is any person who is not an “essential visitor” per the definition above.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Essential Visits – Permitted 2) Non-Essential Visits - (as per the definition) can resume following capacity guidelines on February 21st, 2022. 3) Brief Physical Contact (e.g., a hug) is permitted. 4) Scheduling A Visit <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Essential visitors <u>do not need</u> to schedule a visit. Non-essential visitors <u>always need to</u> schedule a visit. Number of visitors is limited to the guidance in the Re-Opening Ontario Act or the number of people that can be accommodated and maintain physical distancing, whichever is the smaller number. Only the employee supervising a visit needs to be counted towards the social gathering limits. All non-essential visits are to be supervised by service provider employees. 5) Screening <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Active screening of all visitors upon arrival. Completion of a RANT screening test 6) PPE Requirements <p>Use of masks:</p> <p><u>Indoor:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A medical (surgical/procedure) mask provided by Christian Horizons may need to be worn by all essential 	<p>Essential Visitors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permitted • If they meet the requirements for visitation in outbreak full PPE required for outbreak conditions. <p>Non-Essential Visitors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suspended

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	<p>and non-essential visitors at all times during indoor visits, refer the PPE FAQ for more details.</p> <p>Outdoor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refer to the PPE FAQ for more details on when masks are required to be used. <p>Use of eye protection:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eye protection (i.e., face shield, goggles, safety glasses) may be worn by visitors but is not a requirement. 	
SHORT-TERM (SAME DAY) OUTINGS OR ABSENCES		
<p>Health and well-being activities outside of residence (e.g., doctor’s appointments, work, school etc.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted in line with the Re-Opening Ontario Act, please click here for more information 	<p>Permitted when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Authorized by screening for activity and/or public health advice; or Essential for medical purposes only and virtual care is not possible
<p>Recreational activities outside of residence</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted in line with the Re-Opening Ontario Act, please click here for more information 	<p>Suspended</p>
<p>Day supports</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Permitted with in person attendance in line with the Re-Opening Ontario Act, please click here for more information 	<p>Suspended</p>
OVERNIGHT ABSENCES		
<p>ESSENTIAL OVERNIGHT ABSENCES</p> <p>An essential overnight absence (e.g., to a family home) considered necessary to maintain the health, wellness and safety, or any applicable legal rights, of a resident.</p> <p>GENERAL OVERNIGHT ABSENCES</p> <p>A general overnight absence is any absences that does not meet the definition of an essential overnight absence.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Essential Overnight Absence - Permitted 7) General Overnight Absence - (as per the definition) can resume following capacity guidelines on February 21st, 2022. If the person using services is fully vaccinated against COVID-19, they will only need to pass active screening on their return from the overnight absence. If the person using services is NOT fully vaccinated, additional precautions will be required for 10 days following their return or after receiving a negative PCR test for COVID-19, whichever comes first. 	<p>Suspended</p>

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NEW ADMISSIONS		
<p>New Admission/Transfer</p>	<p>A new admission/transfer must undergo active screening for COVID-19 signs and symptoms.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is the ONLY requirement for a fully immunized person. <p>A new admission who is not fully immunized must follow additional precautions until they receive a negative result on a COVID-19 PCR test OR 10 days has passed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Monitor for symptoms. ○ Avoid using common areas; however, if a common area cannot be avoided, the person must use a medical (surgical/procedure) mask if tolerated. ○ Limit contact with other residents. ○ Only participate in group activities if physical distancing is maintained (i.e., 2 metres) and a medical (surgical/procedure) mask is used for the duration of the activity. ○ Resources to help with new admissions are available in the U-drive under current OLT resources. 	<p>Suspended</p>
CHRISTIAN HORIZONS ADDITIONAL ACTIVITY GUIDELINES		
<p>Use of Masks for Employees</p>	<p>Masks are NOT part of universal (at all times) precautions in all Christian Horizons locations. Some support locations may continue to require the use of masks, refer to your local leadership team and the directions outlined in the PPE FAQ for more details.</p>	<p>Follow PPE requirements for Outbreak</p>
<p>Use of Eye Protection for Employees</p>	<p>The use of eye protection is no longer required when providing supports within 2 metres of a person using services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Eye protection is still an important and required component of PPE when mixing/diluting cleaning 	<p>Follow PPE requirements for Outbreaks</p>

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	<p>agents, when there is high likelihood of exposure to bodily fluids, during outbreaks etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Employees may choose to continue using eye protection as a universal (constant) precaution if they would like to. ○ Visitors providing direct support within 2 metres (6 feet) of a person using services may choose to wear eye protection as a universal (constant) precaution if they would like to. 	
<p>In Person CPS supports</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Permitted in line with the Re-Opening Ontario Act, please click here for more information 	<p>Suspended</p>
<p>Host Family (Lifeshare) Respite <i>Provision of Host Family Respite is generally not advised unless essential to support the stability of the full-time living arrangement. Contact your Area Manager for more details.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Permitted in line with the Re-Opening Ontario Act, please click here for more information ● Only applies to Direct Support Locations 	<p>N/A Category only applies to direct service locations</p>
<p>Employees working in offices <i>This applies in administrative offices where minimum distance requirements can be met (e.g., separate offices) or unless arrangements have been made to work in an alternate location.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Permitted in line with the Re-Opening Ontario Act, please click here for more information ● Only applies to Direct Support Locations 	<p>N/A Category only applies to direct service locations</p>
<p>In person training/ In person meetings</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Permitted in line with gathering guidance in the Re-Opening Ontario Act, please click here for more information 	<p>Suspended</p>