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NOTIFICATION: POSITIVE CASE OF COVID-19 AT TIM HORTONS PICTON

Dear Tim Hortons employee/visitor:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that a person at Tim Hortons Picton has tested positive for COVID-19. If you visited Tim Hortons Picton (including drive through) on May 3, 4, 8 or 9, there is a low risk that you may have been exposed to COVID-19.

We recognize that receiving this information may be stressful and we want to make you aware of steps that will take place going forward.

HPEPH is working with Tim Hortons Picton to identify individuals who may have been in contact with the case. It is important to note that not all employees/visitors will be impacted by the positive case. Individuals who are identified as high-risk contacts will be notified directly by HPEPH.

What will HPEPH do to respond to this positive case?

- Public Health staff has contacted the individual who tested positive for COVID-19 and is in contact with Tim Hortons Picton.
- HPEPH is in the process of identifying and contacting all individuals (including customers and staff) who may have high-risk exposure to the person who tested positive.
- HPEPH will provide additional direction to high-risk contacts and the workplace to protect clients and staff and prevent the spread of COVID-19.

What should you do?

- Continue to follow general public health protocols.
- It is **not** necessary to be tested at this time if you do **not** have symptoms of COVID-19. **Testing now may lead to unnecessary or repeat testing.**
- If you are contacted by HPEPH, follow the guidance provided.
- If you do **not** receive a call from your workplace or HPEPH, you can continue going to work.
- Limit contact with others, especially in health care settings, with seniors and/or other vulnerable populations.

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If you develop any symptoms of COVID-19 in the 14 days after your last possible exposure, please:

- Self-isolate at home and away from others. Get tested as soon as possible. **When you go for testing, please reference Outbreak Number 2238-2021-41831.**
- Information about Hastings and Prince Edward Counties COVID-19 Assessment Centers can be found [on our website](#).
- Stay self-isolated until test result comes back
- Review the Public Health Ontario [self-isolation factsheet](#).
- Call Hastings Prince Edward Public Health at 613-966-5500 or 1-800-267-2803, your health care provider or Telehealth Ontario at 1-866-797-0000.
- **DO NOT GO TO THE HOSPITAL OR YOUR DOCTOR'S OFFICE WITHOUT CALLING FIRST** to tell them that you have been near someone with COVID-19

When can individuals who test positive for COVID-19 return to work?

- Individuals who test positive for COVID-19 may return to work following specific guidance provided by HPEPH.
- Employees do **not** need to be retested or present a medical note to return to work, as long as they meet the criteria listed above.

For more information go to hpePublicHealth.ca, where you will find fact sheets, and information on COVID-19 symptoms and screening, [self-monitoring](#), [self-isolation](#), and testing. On the website you can also find the [COVID-19 dashboard](#) which provides up to date information on COVID-19 in Hastings and Prince Edward counties.

***Note:** Personal health information may be provided to the workplace only for the purpose of contact tracing. Workplaces must protect the personal information of their employees. The name of the individual who tests positive for COVID-19 and their contacts will not be disclosed publicly.

Sincerely,

Hastings Prince Edward Public Health