

December 23, 2020

To our Alzheimer Society family,

As Ontario re-enters lockdown across the province to try and control cases of the COVID-19 virus, we will all be impacted. **As of December 26, 2020 our offices will be CLOSED** until the lockdown is lifted on January 23, 2021.

That said, we have been designated by the province as an **essential service**. And while we have asked our staff to work from their home offices during the lockdown to do our part to stop the spread, we will continue to provide essential programs and services to our clients.

The impact of the lockdown and the continuation of programs and services are as follows:

- In-person groups, such as Minds in Motion and Support Groups will be suspended for the duration of the lockdown.
- Together Apart Club and online Minds in Motion will continue virtually on Zoom
- Day Service will be temporarily suspended pending further information from the province. All clients participating in the Day Service will be contacted about the program.
- In-home visits have been suspended, but we continue to offer office, phone and virtual visits by appointment only.
- Client Support Coordinators continue to provide supportive counselling. Staff contacts are available here. <u>https://alzheimer.ca/pklnh/en/about-us/our-people</u>
- Education Sessions scheduled online will continue. In person sessions will be suspended or switched to an online format. Registrants will receive notification from Education staff.

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