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Public Advisory Regarding COVID-19

December 29, 2020 – At Carmichael Outreach, we believe in the importance of transparency, especially in times of difficulty and stress in our community. We are releasing this notice today, as we learned this morning that one of our staff members has tested positive for COVID-19.

According to Public Health, the positive staff member would have been contagious beginning on Thursday, December 24, 2020.

As instructed by Public Health and through calls to 811, the following will take place:

- The staff member who tested positive will be in self isolation until January 7, 2020.
- All individuals who came in direct contact with the positive staff member will be in self isolation until January 7, 2020.
- Staff members and volunteers who were on site on December 24, even if they did not come in direct contact with the staff member who tested positive, will call 811 and will not be invited back to work unless they have been cleared by 811.
- All staff members, volunteers, and guests to our centre will be reminded to continuously self-monitor and stay home if they are exhibiting any potential COVID-19 symptoms.

The building will be professionally deep cleaned and sanitized this evening as an added precaution.

We are so grateful to have made it this long without seeing a positive case, and to have a team that has been cautious in adhering to COVID-19 precautions. We are also grateful to all the community members who have been patient with us and our restrictions. The services that we offer are important, and we must do whatever we can to keep one another safe while striving to continue best practices that can keep us open.

It has been a long and difficult year, and we want everyone who has shown us kindness, understanding, and support to know that we could never have made it without you. We hope that everyone can continue to stay safe this winter and care for one another.

Sincerely,

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