Centre intégré de santé et de services sociaux de Laval QUÉDEC * *

Press Release

Adjustments coming to Red Zones

Laval, February 4, 2021 – With the recent announcement of the return to the alert system, the Centre intégré de santé et de services sociaux (CISSS) de Laval would like to inform the public that the measures in place will be adjusted in red zones, starting on February 8, 2021.

Over the past few weeks, a substantial drop in the number of new daily cases has been observed in Laval, attesting to the effectiveness of the health measures in place and, more specifically, to the efforts made by the entire community. In Laval, the 7-day average of new cases reported fell from 235 to 105 cases per day between January 4 and February 2, 2021. The proportion of positive tests also went down from 11.9% to 5.1%.

The number of hospitalizations and deaths remains high, however, which is why we must continue to protect the most vulnerable people and the health and social services network. As an illustration of the situation in hospitals, the occupancy rate in the emergency department of Cité-de-la-Santé Hospital rose from 82% on January 4, 2021 to 90% on February 2, 2021.

Starting on February 8, 2021, the following adjustments will be made in red zones:

- Non-essential businesses, including personal care and hair salons, will reopen.
- Museums and libraries will reopen.

- Outdoor activities with no more than four people (including in backyards) will resume, with physical distancing of two metres applying.

The curfew from 8:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m., the ban on gatherings in private homes and on private property, as well as mandatory telework will be maintained.

It is essential to continue respecting the health measures.

Quote:

"Our testing, tracing and investigation work is excellent in Laval. A great deal of testing is being done here. The public response to our service offering is very good, which is likely due to our expertise in saliva-based screening. In addition, thanks to our ongoing screening efforts, we have a more accurate picture of the situation, which allows us to intervene where we are most affected, particularly in workplaces and schools."

Dr. Jean-Pierre Trépanier, Laval Regional Director of Public Health

Related links:

To learn more about the progressive regional alert and intervention system: <u>msss.gouv.qc.ca/presse</u>.

To learn more about the coronavirus and existing measures: <u>https://www.quebec.ca/en/health/health-issues/a-z/2019-coronavirus/</u>

About the CISSS de Laval

The CISSS de Laval is fully dedicated to learning, innovating and excelling in order to offer residents of Laval and surrounding areas a full range of integrated, quality health and social services accessible to all. Its human capital includes over 10,000 employees and doctors working in 32 facilities, including the Hôpital de la Cité- de-la-Santé, the Jewish Rehabilitation Hospital, the Centre de services ambulatoires de Laval, six CLSCs, five residential centres, the Centre de protection de l'enfance et de la jeunesse de Laval, the Centre de réadaptation en dépendance de Laval and the Centre de réadaptation en déficience intellectuelle et troubles envahissants du développement de Laval. The CISSS de Laval is a research and teaching facility affiliated to Université de Montréal and McGill University. For more information about the CISSS de Laval and the services offered in its facilities, go to www.lavalensante.com.

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