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MEMO

Date: March 18, 2020

To: Grand Chiefs and Chiefs of the AFNQL
General Directors of local governments
Directors of the administrative and community services of the First Nations communities and organizations

From: Ghislain Picard, Chief of the Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador

Subject: COVID-19: Maintaining the operations of the AFNQL and its Regional Commissions and Organizations

In order to contribute to the collective effort and ensure the necessary linkages and follow-up with staff working in the First Nations communities and organizations, the Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador (AFNQL) and its Regional Commissions and Organizations (RCOs) wish to inform you of the measures implemented to ensure the continuity of their operations using existing means of communication. These are in line with the measures proposed by the Canadian and Quebec public health departments and will be adjusted according to the evolution of the pandemic.

General information

Operations are maintained among all of our organizations. Unless there are exceptions, the majority of our staff are teleworking until March 27, 2020. We invite you to contact us using our regular telephone numbers or by email. Teleconferencing will be encouraged based on requests received from you.

AFNQL and Youth Network of the AFNQL:

Business hours: From 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Contact information: 418-842-5020
In case of emergency: 418-580-4442
List of employees: <https://apnql.com/en/contact-us/>
Website: <https://apnql.com/en/>

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First Nations Education Council (FNEC):

Business hours: From 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Contact information: 418-842-7672
In case of emergency: info@cepn-fnec.com
List of employees: <https://cepn-fnec.com/en/contact/>
Website: <https://cepn-fnec.com/en/>

Institut Tshakapesh:

Business hours: From 8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. from Monday to Thursday
From 8:00 a.m. to noon on Friday
Contact information: 418-968-4424 or toll free at 1-800-391-4424
In case of emergency: reception@tshakapesh.ca
List of employees: https://www.tshakapesh.ca/fr/equipe_118/
Website: <https://www.tshakapesh.ca/fr/accueil/>

First Nations of Quebec and Labrador Sustainable Development Institute (FNQLSDI):

Business hours: From 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Monday to Thursday
From 8:30 a.m. to noon on Friday
Contact information: 418-843-9999
In case of emergency: info@iddpnql.ca
List of employees: <https://fnqlsdi.ca/our-team/>
Website: <https://fnqlsdi.ca/>

First Nations of Quebec and Labrador Economic Development Commission (FNQLEDC):

Business hours: From 8:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 to 4:30 p.m. on Monday to Thursday
From 8:00 a.m. to noon on Friday
Contact information: 418-843-1488, ext. 1221
In case of emergency: info@cdepnql.org
List of employees: <https://cdepnql.org/en/fnqledc/our-team/>
Website: <https://cdepnql.org/en/>

First Nations Human Resources Development Commission of Quebec (FNHRDCQ):

Business hours: From 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Contact information: 450-638-4171
In case of emergency: info@cdrhpnq.qc.ca
List of employees: <https://cdrhpnq-fnhrdcq.ca/contact/>
Website: <https://cdrhpnq-fnhrdcq.ca/>

First Nations of Quebec and Labrador Health and Social Services Commission (FNQLHSSC):

Business hours: From 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. from Monday to Thursday

From 8:00 a.m. to noon on Friday

Contact information: 418-842-1540

In case of emergency: info@cssspnql.com

List of employees: <http://www.cssspnql.com/en/about-us/team>

Website: <http://www.cssspnql.com/en/fnqlhssc>

• **Updates and press review**

The FNQLHSSC was entrusted with the mandate to monitor and disseminate information on COVID-19. To this effect, a *daily press review on COVID-19* will be published on the FNQLHSSC website at [http://www.cssspnql.com/en/areas-of-intervention/health/coronavirus-\(covid-19\)](http://www.cssspnql.com/en/areas-of-intervention/health/coronavirus-(covid-19)) in addition to existing information.

The press review will include, among other things, highlights from press conferences and measures implemented by local First Nations governments as well as provincial and federal governments and any other information deemed relevant.

• **Information sessions on COVID-19**

The FNQLHSSC is offering you the opportunity to hold an information session on COVID-19 by means of community radio or videoconference. To this end, Marie-Noëlle Caron, Public Health Advisor, will be happy to answer your questions and share the most recent updates on this subject. For more information, please send your request to info@cssspnql.com.

Conclusion

In closing, I would like to highlight all the actions you have taken to date. Every action taken contributes to slowing the spread of COVID-19 and protecting our people.

We will monitor this pandemic closely and rest assured that we will keep you posted.
