

**Toronto North Local Immigration Partnership** 

# **COVID-19 Resources List**

**Important Note**: This resources list contains information from reliable governmental and Nongovernmental sources. As the situation evolves, the information rapidly changes. Therefore, please frequently visit the source websites for up-to-date information. We'll continue updating this list with new resources.

Please click on the <u>blue underlined text</u> to go to the source website.

# **Resources for Clients and Public**

Please click on each hyperlinked text to go the source website.

# City of Toronto – For City Information

- 1. <u>Toronto Public Health Advice</u> : protecting yourself, social distancing, symptoms and treatment
- 2. <u>City of Toronto COVID-19 Diagnostic and Assessment Centres</u> : List of diagnostic and assessment centres in Toronto
- 3. <u>Travel Advice</u>: City of Toronto and Government of Canada Travel Advice and Statements.
- 4. <u>Financial Support for Individuals and Families</u>: Extended period for income tax, utility bills, expenses and bills, banking solutions, federal programs and provincial programs

# Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-term Care - For Provincial Information

- 1. <u>Self-Assessment Tool</u>: If you think you have coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms or have been in close contact with someone who has it, use this self-assessment to help determine how to seek further care
- 2. <u>Guidance for You and Your Family to Stay Healthy</u>-Poster: Ministry of Health and Long-term Care
- 3. <u>COVID-19 Information Page</u>: Protecting yourself, symptoms, treatment, list of public establishments closed, state of emergency, services and others.
- 4. <u>Public Health Ontario Fact Sheets</u>: Fact Sheets on Self-Monitoring, Hand Washing, Cleaning and Disinfecting Public Places and Using Masks

# Public Health Agency of Canada - For national information

- 1. <u>PHAC COVID-19 Website</u>: National Updates, Travel Advice and others.
- 2. <u>COVID-19 Virtual Assistant:</u> Automated Answers to Your COVID-19 Questions. Open the page and look for () icon at the bottom left corner of the page.

# Mental Health:

1. <u>Coping with Stress During the COVID-19 Outbreak</u>: By World Health Organization. Opening this document may alert you for potential harm to your computer. Open only if you trust World Health Organization Website. 2. <u>Helping Children Cope with COVID-19 Outbreak:</u> By World Health Organization. *Opening this document may alert you for potential harm to your computer. Open only if you trust World Health Organization Website.* 

## Utilizing Your Time While at Home

 <u>New Canadians Café</u>: Online webinars various topics to best utilize your time at home – from boosting productivity when working from home to upskilling for that dream job, acing video interviews to virtual networking 101, and exploring Canada as a newcomer while staying indoors.

# **Resources for Settlement and Community Organizations:**

- 1. <u>Screening Checklist</u>: Developed by Ontario Government for Community Agencies to stay safe and healthy during provision of essential services. The checklist provides basic information and cannot be substitute for expert medical advice.
- 2. <u>Planning Guide for Community Agencies During Pandemic</u>: Developed by Toronto Public Health for community agencies to identify issues and critical elements of emergency preparedness that organizations should consider in planning for a pandemic.
- 3. <u>Risk-informed Decision Making Matrix</u>: For community agencies to make decision for mass gatherings during COVID-19 global outbreak
- 4. <u>Community-based measures to mitigate the spread of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in Canada</u>
- 5. Posters and Signs for Public Posting:
  - a. <u>Handwashing</u>
  - b. <u>Self-Monitoring and Self-Isolation</u>
  - c. Essential Services Screening Stop Sign
- 6. <u>Ontario Essential Services List</u>: The list includes essential services that remains open during the COVID-19 State of Emergency. Ontario Government announced closure of non-essential services.
- 7. <u>Ministry of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada</u>: IRCC Services affected by COVID-19 and other related information.
- 8. <u>Ontario Council of Agencies Serving Immigrants</u>: Announcements, Calls to Actions, Government Updates and other Resources
- 9. <u>Affected Toronto City Services:</u> List of City of Toronto services that are closed and programs cancelled

# **Resources for the Health Sector Partners:**

- 1. Ministry of Health and Long-term <u>Guidance for Primary Healthcare in a Community Setting and</u> provision of virtual primary care.
- 2. Ministry of Health and Long-term Care (<u>MOH)'s COVID-19 site for the health sector</u> for the case definition, guidance documents and signs for public posting.
- 3. Public Health Agency of Canada(PHAC) <u>Routine Practices and Additional Precautions for Preventing</u> <u>the Transmission of Infection in Healthcare Settings</u>
- 4. Toronto Public Health <u>COVID-19 Information for Health Professionals</u>: Contains clinical information, Epidemiology and Surveillance, Vaccines, Treatment and Reporting and other.

# Services During COVID-19 Pandemic

#### **Primary Healthcare**

- 1. <u>City of Toronto COVID-19 Diagnostic and Assessment Centres</u> : List of diagnostic and assessment centres in Toronto
- 2. <u>Services for Un-insured</u>: Ontario enhanced healthcare coverage for those who does not present Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP) during the COVID-19

#### Mental Health Services

- 1. 24/7 Emotional Support: City of Toronto Distress Centre
- 2. Kids Helpline: Emotional Support for Kids during COVID-19 Pandemic
- 3. 24/7 Crisis Support: Gerstein Crisis Centre

#### Settlement and Community Development Services

- 1. <u>Settlement.org</u>: Online information on implications of COVID-19 on settlement services. Information for Newcomers
- 2. <u>211: Online Searchable Database</u> for Community and Settlement Services. Updated regularly during the COVID-19 Outbreak
- 3. <u>Ministry of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada</u>: IRCC Services affected by COVID-19 and other related information.
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# Refugees

1. Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada (IRB) Measures related to COVID-19

## Education

- Information on Schools Closure: Ontario Government announced closure of all schools until April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020.
- 2. <u>Students learning at Home</u>: Ontario Ministry of Education has created online resources for students to learn at home during school closure due to COVID-19
- 3. <u>Students Online Learning Resources</u>: Toronto District School Board has online learning resources for students during the school closure due COVID-19
- 4. <u>Resources for Parents and Students:</u> By Toronto Catholic District School Board

## Housing and Shelter Support

- 1. <u>Shelter and Housing Support:</u> City of Toronto
- 2. <u>Accessing Emergency Shelters</u>: Central Intake 24/7 | 416-338-4766 or 1 (877) 338-3398
- 3. <u>Domestic and Sexual Abuse</u>: Shelter support for victims of domestic violence and sexual abuse
- 4. <u>Shelters and Drop-in Centres for Women:</u> intake and drop-in
- 5. LGBTQ2S Youth Housing Help: For LGBTQ2S Youth Ages 16 to 29
- 6. <u>Electricity Relief to Families, Small Businesses and Farms During COVID-19</u>

## Food Services

- 1. <u>Food Banks in Toronto</u>: Up-to-date list and map on 211 website.
- 2. Drop-In Centres, Free Meals, and Other Supports:

## Law and Legal Services

1. Updates on the law and legal services related COVID-19

## Scams Related to COVID-19:

1. Beware of COVID-19 Scams: