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## **COVID-19 Essential Care Partner Documentation**

The bearer of this letter is an essential care partner (caregiver) of a child, youth or young adult currently admitted to and receiving inpatient care at Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital ("Holland Bloorview") in Toronto, Ontario. Caregivers to our clients are critical partners in the delivery of safe, efficient, quality health care.

The bearer of this letter is therefore exempt from any applicable mandate, guidance or order that calls for individuals to remain at home to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Thank you for your acknowledgment of this caregiver's need to visit their loved one at our hospital.

Holland Bloorview is classified as a public hospital under the Public Hospitals Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.40. Pursuant to the emergency order declared by the Province of Ontario on January 13, 2021 under s 7.0.1 (1) of the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. E.9, the applicable stay-at-home orders permit the continuation of various essential services affecting health, safety and welfare which includes the essential tasks of health care providers including hospitals.

We appreciate your support in allowing the bearer of this letter to travel during the curfew and/or stay at home order as we continue to provide essential health care, pediatric rehabilitation and mental health services to our clients and families. If you have any questions, please call our hospital main line at 416-425-6220 and enter extension 6995.

Sincerely,

**Irene Andress** 

Vice President, Programs and Services and Chief Nursing Executive Programs and Services Admin
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