



Message to PSWs – Essential Workers

Reminder - Essential Workers – Shifts and Assignments

Our front-line staff are the most vital means of providing care and service to our clients. As essential workers we greatly appreciate your continued commitment during this time.

We wish to remind you that we are making every reasonable effort to provide you with work that allows you to receive earnings as outlined within your employment agreement.

If a shift is canceled you will be provided with other assignments that will require you to work at different locations throughout Durham Region. It is an expectation that you will be flexible in accepting these assignments as CCD is not in a position to pay staff for work that is refused.

Please direct any questions to your Manager.

New - Personal Protective Equipment

In line with government recommendations, CCD will be providing each Personal Support Worker with one (1) surgical mask per day and a re-useable goggle starting Monday April 6, 2020.

We will continue this practice for as long as supplies are made available to us, recognizing the continued PPE shortage. We will be providing PPE mini-education sessions via the weekly PSW Teleconferences to keep you informed on proper use and storage. Please direct any questions to your Manager.

New - Child Care Options for Front-Line Health Care Workers

The Ontario Government is now permitting certain Child Care Centres to re-open to support Front-Line Health Care Workers during the COVID-19 outbreak. As a Personal Support Worker, you are eligible to send your child(ren) to emergency child care while you are at work. Below is a current list of Emergency Child Care Centres that are open in Durham Region.

- Oshawa Lakewoods Early Learning and Child Care Centre
- Ajax Early Learning and Child Care Centre
- Pickering Early Learning and Child Care Centre
- Whitby Early Learning and Child Care Centre
- Bowmanville Edna Thompson Early Learning and Child Care Centre
- Scarborough Circles in the Sun Day Care Services
- Whitby Wee Watch Private Home Day Care
- Oshawa Wee Watch
- Bowmanville Wee Watch
- Pickering Wee Watch Private Home Day Care

More details about registration is available at [Consolidated Municipal Service Managers \(CMSMs\) and District Social Services Administration Boards \(DSSABs\)](#).

<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/childcare/websiteServiceManagers.html>