



Memorandum

Date: May 5, 2020

To: All Members

From: Karen Messer-Engel, M.A., R. Psych.,
Executive Director / Registrar

**RE: May 3, 2020 Public Health Order - Resumption of
In-person Services**

The placement of the profession within the phased plan to re-open the province is complex. As the profession has not been formally listed in any of the public health orders or in the ***Re-open Saskatchewan Plan*** (Plan) it is reasonable to question whether or not the profession is allowed to resume practice in-person as part of phase one of the Plan. The interpretation received from the Ministry of Health is that members of the profession can choose to resume providing in-person services, but this must occur in accordance with any restrictions relating to the region in which one provides those services and congruent with any public health order restrictions aimed at mitigation of the transmission of COVID-19 (e.g. social distancing, sanitizing common surfaces between clients etc.). Please note that there are continued restrictions that apply specifically to the communities of Lloydminster and La Loche. Information in regard to the Plan and to the public health orders can be found at:

<https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/health-care-administration-and-provider-resources/treatment-procedures-and-guidelines/emerging-public-health-issues/2019-novel-coronavirus/re-open-saskatchewan-plan>

Specific information regarding requirements for medical and health professions providing in-person services in terms of mitigating the risk of transmission can be found at:

<https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/health-care-administration-and-provider-resources/treatment-procedures-and-guidelines/emerging-public-health-issues/2019-novel-coronavirus/re-open-saskatchewan-plan/guidelines/medical-professionals-guidelines>

I hope that you remain safe and well. Thank you for all you are doing for the public of Saskatchewan.

All the best,

Karen