



COVID UPDATE

December 10, 2020

As the weather turns colder and Covid 19 continues, we will be looking at each individual's service, as we will not be able to continue to give service outside. If the weather holds up, outside service is still possible. Since reopening REALM has been following the new policies and procedures that allows us to continue to give service, which we are expected to follow, if we do not want to move back to less more restricted service in the future.

REALM provides service to over 100 individuals, each with their own unique personalities and needs. We wish we could overlook or give special accommodations to each of them. Our building now has a 25-maximum occupancy, this allows individuals and staff to be able to work safely inside with masks on. Each area has a designated limit of occupancy. REALM has also limited each individual's time in the building to a maximum of 2 hours, as the less time spent in a place the better. There are not many places now that allow you in without a mask.

REALM is working hard at keeping transmission very low, as Dr. Henry has suggested now to only adding 6 people to each home's circle. We are taking into consideration the entire circle around each person. This includes the person, who they live with, and who they work with (at REALM). We must take into consideration everyone's health, ability to self care and personal distancing. Each individual and staff are also designated to a "pod". Only staff designated to the individual would be able to work one to one with that person, transportation will be on an essential need only. Other staff from the same pod will only be able to do physical distance visits (no transportation) or a phone check in.

With known cases now in the area, we want to take every precaution necessary. This is the safest and lowest impact for everyone that we can provide service to and those around them. We appreciate your understanding and co-operation in aiding us in the compliance of the Provincial mandate to keep all individuals, families, share home providers and staff safe.

Thank you for your understanding,

We are in the same storm but different boats,

REALM