

Providing Dietetic Services Under COVID-19 Public Health Actions

September 17, 2021 (Amended September 20, 2021)

On September 15, 2021, the Government of Alberta announced <u>COVID-19 public health actions</u>, which came into effect on September 16, 2021.

Alberta Health has posted a listing of what businesses and organizations are eligible for the Restrictions Exemption Program. Health Services are deemed essential services and therefore are not eligible for the Restrictions Exemption Program. The list can be viewed here: <u>https://www.alberta.ca/covid-19-public-health-actions.aspx</u>

The College of Dietitians of Alberta (CDA) has received guidance that at this time, under these new measures, NO CHANGES to operations are required for regulated health professionals. Dietitians will be required to follow the guidance of their employer. Regulated members may also continue to provide services virtually.

Regulated members are reminded that consistent with the <u>COVID-19</u>: <u>Mask requirements directive</u> from the Chief Medical Officer of Health, effective September 4, 2021, masks are mandatory in all indoor public spaces and workplaces. Regulated members must wear masks in all indoor work settings, except while alone in workstations or when separated by at least 2-metres distance from all other persons. Regulated members should use medical grade masks when providing direct client services or when unable to maintain a 2-metre distance from clients.

Information that may be helpful from previously published College Statements can be found on the <u>Home page of the College website</u>.

The situation has evolved and continues to evolve quickly. The College will provide updates on our website when more information is available.

If you have questions, please contact the College office.

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