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То:	PEI Post-Secondary Education
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The following is additional guidance for PEI post-secondary institutions as a supplement to the Chief Public Health Office (CPHO) memo dated January 12, 2022 regarding public health measures for the Winter 2022 term.

The CPHO recognizes that some post-secondary programs contain curriculum components with practical / hands-on learning or on-the-job training which requires face-to-face, in-person delivery. For these required curriculum components which cannot be delivered virtually, the CPHO endorses in-person delivery and is providing the following direction:

- **Scope:** Post-secondary institutions should determine and document which programs and curriculum components meet the requirements above for in-person delivery as well as the rationale.
- **Physical Distancing:** Students, faculty, and staff are required to maintain physical distancing of two metres or more in these learning settings. However, circumstances may arise where physical distancing must be temporarily broken for certain activities and/or safety reasons. When possible, other measures such as physical barriers should be used to mitigate risk. Post-secondary institutions should determine circumstances where physical distancing cannot be maintained as well as mitigation measures.
- Screening and Testing: Students, faculty, and staff should stay home and seek testing if feeling unwell or experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, however mild. Testing may be accessed at a drop-in testing clinic and individuals should self-isolate until the results are back. Screening and exclusion should be in place for students, faculty, and staff who have already been directed to self-isolate. Test results (*positive and negative*) can be found here with most results appearing 4-12 hours from the point of testing: https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/feature/search-my-covid-19-test-results#/service/CovidNegativeResults/CovidNegativeResultsSearch

- Vaccination: Students, faculty, and staff are recommended to be vaccinated with a complete series of Health Canada-approved COVID-19 vaccines including booster doses as recommended.
- **Masking:** Students, faculty, and staff are required to wear masks in all indoor areas including classrooms and lab settings.
- **Personal Hygiene:** Signage for handwashing and respiratory etiquette (sneezing and coughing) should be clearly posted throughout facilities. Handwashing supplies and alcoholbased hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol should be readily available.
- **Cleaning and Disinfection:** Enhanced cleaning and disinfection of frequently touched surfaces should be maintained.

Thank you for your continued support of PEI's COVID-19 response.

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