

## **NSBEP Email Update**

Dear Registrant,

We are writing to remind you that during the current lockdown and surge in cases that you are to continue to follow the Return to In-Person Work Guidelines for Psychology that were approved by the DOH and the Chief Medical Officer.

You can click here to obtain the Guidelines

You can also click here for the FAQ documents on the Guidelines

In addition, Psychologist should refer to and implement the highest standard of precautions as directed and updated by Public Health. For example, Public Health has mandated non-medical medical masks in all private indoor workplaces across all common areas and public spaces for employees and clientele. This would apply as a minimum standard.

In light of new COVID-19 variants and the highly transmissible nature of these, as well as our increased number of cases in Nova Scotia, it is important that health care professionals practice a high degree of vigilance with implementing public health measures within health care clinics.

All workplaces must follow the current Public Health Order, found here: <u>https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/alerts-notices/#health-protection-act-order</u>. (These would apply as a minimum standard. Where NSBEP approved guidelines mandate a higher standard those should be followed.).

Both clinical and non-clinical staff should work together to protect their clients and keep each other safe, while ensuring that all staff are aware of workplace rules and resources. There is a variety of information and resources on the government's COVID-19 website: <u>https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/</u>.

Kind regards,

Nova Scotia Board of Examiners in Psychology

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