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Dear people we support and families,

We hope you and your family are well and healthy.

Yesterday, we learned more about Stage 2 of re-opening the Ontario economy. As our team has been discussing next steps for our organization, and lessening restrictions, this news offers a pivot for what our organization can do. We are also seeing other organizations in our community share what their plans are as well.

To help us in this transition, we have assembled a *Lessening Restrictions Committee*. Their goal is to research, discuss, and plan more steps for our organization. This committee includes people we support, family members and varying levels of staff (both unionized and not). Our hope is to have a good cross-section of our organization present to discuss how we can lessen restrictions in a meaningful and safe way. We are looking forward to what they recommend in the coming weeks.

We are also nearly ready to share with you about outdoor family visits. These visits can begin as early as June 18, 2020, just in time for Father's Day. For these visits, a strict rules and regulations list will be shared, that families, the people we support, and staff need to follow. For example, all visitors will be required to wear a mask at all times during their visit.

The rules and regulations have been guided, and vetted, by Wellington Dufferin Guelph Public Health, and are required to ensure the health and wellbeing of all involved. Your support of these rules and regulations helps ensure the health and wellbeing of everyone that lives and works at the residence you are visiting. We truly appreciate your help. Stay tuned for more details coming this week.

The Government of Ontario has [extended Emergency Orders through to June 19, 2020](#).

We will continue to keep you informed of any new developments, and you can read the latest at: clgw.ca/covid19

Regards,


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