CDSS SPECIAL ALERT COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

(The following information will be posted on the saskdentists.com website homepage)

The primary goal of the CDSS at this time is to keep members up to date with regular communications on the rapidly evolving COVID – 19 health situation.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU & YOUR STAFF READ & UNDERSTAND ALL PROVIDED INFORMATION.

- UPDATE: Monday, March 16th Pacific Dental Conference Click <u>HERE</u> (see paragraph 5 for specific PDC information)
 - The SK Chief Medical Health Office has confirmed that this directive <u>must</u> be followed by attendees of the 2020 PDC.
- CDSS is following SK Health advisories with regards to dental office protocols, including mandated closures, and will ALERT dentists of such. Prior to any mandated closures, individual dentists can adjust their services, while maintaining practice standards.
- Dentists are required to maintain contact availability for patient emergencies.
- Members are reminded that the <u>SOHP Infection Prevention and Control Standards</u> must be maintained. If the standards cannot be maintained, operations must cease.
- Members should forward all Media requests to the CDSS for consistent, accurate and up to date messaging.
- Dentists are considered healthcare workers and as such are obliged to follow all Saskatchewan Health/SHA advisories.

Visit the links below <u>regularly</u> regarding best practices for Health Professionals. This is information for your staff and patients. Please also see the information from the SHA.

Click **HERE** for **Public Health Agency of Canada**

Click HERE for Saskatchewan Health

Click HERE for Pacific Dental Conference Notice (see paragraph 5 for specific PDC information)

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Click <u>HERE</u> for **CDSS Infection Prevention Control (IPC)**

If you have questions after reviewing the provided information, please contact CDSS Registrar, Dr. Bernie White at:

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