



## **CDSS Alert – COVID-19 – IPC Interim Protocol Update**

**Update – February 1, 2023**

### **Rationale:**

There have been no updates since the Phase 6 update of February 25, 2022. The COVID pandemic has continued to wane but has not been declared over by government.

**NEW:** The February 25, 2022 Phase 6 update is still in place with the following changes:

1. **NEW:** CDSS members are to use their professional judgement when screening patients for any illness including COVID-19.
2. Members are to use the [September 2022 version of the IPC manual.](#)

### **CDSS Objectives:**

1. Safe dental care provision for providers, staff, patients, families, and communities.

### **CDSS Members must:**

1. Continue to operate under all CDSS standards, bylaws, and alerts.
2. Use professional judgement and weigh the risks of every situation to minimize COVID transmission even in environments when most staff and patients are immunized since COVID transmission can still occur in and between fully immunized individuals.