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Dear Elves' Families, Caregivers, and Staff:

Elves Adult Program

The Elves Adult Program held a Town Hall to discuss the reopening of the Adult Program next week on matters of health assessments for staff and clients, and on modified service delivery. Families learned about our considerations for risk mitigations including our Zero Tolerance Policy and response to preventative and incidental cases should COVID-19 be suspected or confirmed within the Elves community. Cleaning and disinfection regimes were discussed. Elves also addressed the process for communications and environmental & site assessments. Families were made aware of logistical and social distancing issues including transportation, facility (zones) and community access. Elves will continue with a blended model of service delivery until all clients can return to the program. The Town Hall PowerPoint and Q&A's will be forwarded to Adult Program families by end of the day on June 12, 2020.

The Adult Program will start with 13 clients on-site and will expand by one client after a 20-day period if it is safe to do so. The plan is to include expanding services to a greater number of clients every 20 days if circumstances in Alberta and Edmonton allow. Decisions are founded in Chief Medical Officer of Health Orders, Alberta Health Services guidelines, and processes developed internally or amongst day program service providers. There may be modifications to timelines as the overall health and well-being of the Elves Adult Program community is paramount.

Elves School Program

Yesterday, the Ministry of Education announced that the province is aiming to get children and students back in classroom by Fall 2020. Details have not been shared with schools but Elves has developed a plan for supporting our learning community which will be discussed during the Elves School Program Town Hall meeting on **June 17 at 10:00 a.m.** Meeting reminder with details and link <u>https://meet.google.com/cpx-rthh-mhg</u> will also be emailed to families by Monday, June 15, 2020.

Elves Child Development Centre 10825-142 Street EDMONTON AB T5N 3Y7 Phone:780.454.5310 Fax: 780.454.5889 Email: info@elves-society.com Elves Adult & Youth Centre 10419-159 Street EDMONTON AB T5P 3A6 Phone: 780.481.5335 Fax: 780.483.5316 Email: adultprogram@elves-society.com

Elves' Satellite Location 14205 – 109 Avenue EDMONTON AB T5N 1H5 Phone: 780.484.3078 Fax: 780.484.5903 Email: room9@elves-society.com Final updates for the Elves Therapy Website for the 2019/2020 School Year have been made this week. Families are welcome to continue to explore and access resources or activities into the summer. The link for this resource is https://sites.google.com/ualberta.ca/elvestherapyresources/home

There was an oversight with the graduation ceremony dates announced last week. There will also be digital graduations scheduled for the Kindergarten and Grade 12 students. Families and associated staff will receive a meeting link for you to attend these events. The dates and times for these events are:

Rooms 1, 4, and 9	June 24, 2020	10:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.
Rooms 7 and 8	June 24, 2020	11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.
PreK 1, 2/3, 4 and 5	June 25, 2020	10:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.
Grades 1 -12	June 25, 2020	11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

Last Days of School Program will be:

June 24, 2020	Children receiving 600 hours
June 25, 2020	Children receiving 475 and 800 hours of service
June 29, 2020	Students in Grades 1-12.

Elves FASD Respite Program

We intend to open the FASD Respite Services Program in September if circumstances allow. Families wishing to be considered for services should call Raelee Grier, FASD Respite Coordinator, at 780 454-5310 ext. 233 or email <u>respite@elves-society.com</u>.

Elves Summer Program

Elves Social Workers have been contacting Family Supports for Children with Disabilities (FSCD) to determine whether there will be funding in place for the 2020 Summer Program. To date we have not received confirmation of funding. If the funding is confirmed by next Monday, we will offer the Program for 20 children and youth. For further details please contact Joanne Dam by email at elvessw@elves-society.com.

Other Alberta Government/Federal Government Information:

- The most current updates from the Alberta Government, including weekly updates from the Dr. Hinshaw can be found at: <u>https://www.alberta.ca/coronavirus-info-foralbertans.aspx#statement</u>.
- COVID-19 Self-Assessments are available for those persons who are asymptomatic. To schedule a time for drive through assessment please complete the Self-Assessment Questions to complete to forms and schedule a time. The updated assessment site can be found at: <u>https://myhealth.alberta.ca/Journey/COVID-19/Pages/COVID-Self-Assessment.aspx</u> or by calling Health Link at 811.

Contact Elves

We are here if you need support. All questions can be forwarded to the program that is serving your child.

School Program at <u>execassistant@elves-society.com</u> Adult Program at <u>adultprogram@elves-society.com</u> Respite Program at <u>respite@elves-society.com</u>

Warmest wishes,

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PROGRAM DIRECTORY

ELVES CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (10825 - 142 Street)	780 454 5310
Nicole Quildon, Principal (M-F)	
Kiera Peyton, Special Education Supports & Learning Coach (M-F)	
Ashley Lumme-Levesque, PUF Coordinator (in charge of transportation) (M-F)	
Vivian Ross, Family Support Worker (Wed)	
Joanne Dam, Family Support Worker (Tues-Sat)	
Rosathya Ros, Family Support Worker (M-F)	ext. 236
Patricia Moyer, Speech Language Pathologist (M-F)	ext. 228
Lonneke de Groot, Speech Language Pathologist (M-F)	ext. 228
Sally Habashy, Occupational Therapist (M-F)	ext. 210
Wilna Boshoff, Physical Therapist (Thur)	ext. 210
Holly Thompson, Physical Therapist (Tues)	ext. 210
Tara Vanstone, OT/PT Assistant (M-F)	ext. 224
Rachel Grenis, SLP Assistant (Tu/Th)	ext. 210
Lindsay Soderberg, SLP Assistant (M-F)	ext. 210
Janice Wong, SLP Assistant (M-F)	ext. 210
ELVES FASD RESPITE PROGRAM (10825 - 142 Street)	
Raelee Grier, FASD Respite Program & FOP Coordinator (Tues-Sat)	
ELVES SATELLITE CLASSROOM (Room 9 - 14205 – 109 Avenue)	
Please ask for Patricia Moyer or Sally Habashy if you wish to speak to a therapist	
ELVES ADULT & YOUTH CENTRE (10419 - 159 Street)	
Mitch Pogonowski, Adult Program Director (M-F)	ext. 201
Shauna Williamson, Adult Program Staff Training/Volunteer Coordinator (M-F)	
Connie Daynes, Adult Program Activities Coordinator/Behavioural Consultant	
Angela Vardy, Family Support Worker for School Program (M/W/F)	ext. 212
Kathy Anino, Occupational Therapist for School Program (Tu/W/Th)	ext. 219
Samantha Treloar, Occupational Therapist for School Program (M-F)	ext. 219
Wilna Boshoff, Physical Therapist for School Program (Tu/W/Th)	
Holly Thompson, Physical Therapist for School Program (Tu/W/Th)	ext. 211
Cheryl Assenheimer, Physical Therapist for School Program (Tu/W/Th)	
Leslie Quapp, OT/PT Assistant for School Program (M-F)	ext. 211
Stefanie Gallace, OT/PT Assistant for School Program (M-F)	ext. 219
Laura Masters, Speech Language Pathologist for School Program (M-F)	ext. 209
Julie Sorensen, SLP Assistant for School Program (Mon-Thur)	ext. 209
<u>Elves Nursing Staff</u> :	
Melonie Kimmerly, Charge Nurse, RN for School Program @ EAYC	
Diane McCook, LPN, Elves Child Development Centre	
Marilyn Vendiola, RN, Adult Program	
Tina Marsh-Woodcock, Adult Program LPN	