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Dear Elves' Families, Caregivers, and Staff:

Elves Adult Program

The Elves Adult Program launched At Home Supports in mid-May and will continue with this service until we can determine whether facility-based program will be allowed. We are approximating that this will be announced in Phase 2 of the Government of Alberta Relaunch Plan.

The Elves Adult Program has been preparing the facility and participating in training sessions to prepare for the return of some clients to facility-based services. To address on-site precautions currently being taken and considerations that families will need to continually address, we invite you the upcoming Town Hall Session that will be held on **Wednesday June 10 at 1:00 p.m.**

Meeting details and link <https://meet.google.com/cpx-rthh-mhg> will also be emailed to families by Monday. The first stage of this service will be limited to clients who are residing with family units and who have access to personal transportation.

If you are supporting individuals over the age of 18 years old that is living with a disability and require support that Elves or other associated service providers cannot meet, please be aware that Alberta Health Services has launched a **Rehabilitation Advice Line**. This service will be opened seven days per week from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Alberta-only service can be contacted at 1-833-379-0563. The Rehabilitation Advice Line will connect callers to allied health clinicians who can help them access services close to where they live and provide information about: activities and exercises that help with physical concerns; strategies to manage the day-to-day activities affected by these concerns; and rehabilitation services open for in-person and/or virtual visits.

Elves School Program

The Elves School Program has continued to conduct Parent Team Meetings through on-line and phone conferences. We thank all those individuals who have attended the meetings. After IPP meetings, families can continue to contact the Elves staff via email or

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phone calls. Elves School will continue to be open up until the dates outlined in our annual calendar. We continue to encourage families to access the Elves Therapy website resources at <https://sites.google.com/ualberta.ca/elvestherapyresources/home>. If you are unsure which resources may apply, please call your child's teacher or therapist for assistance.

Elves wishes to reassure families that there will be services offered to children that are diagnosed with severe Speech and Language Delays (Code 47). In the next few weeks, Elves' team members will contact you to schedule an assessment for the upcoming year.

Elves School Program will be holding a Town Hall meeting on **June 17 at 10:00 a.m.** to inform families about our services and address questions associated with the upcoming 2020/2021 School Year. Meeting reminder with details and link <https://meet.google.com/cpx-rthh-mhg> will also be emailed to families by Monday, June 15, 2020.

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, 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.

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: <https://www.alberta.ca/coronavirus-info-for-albertans.aspx#statement>.
- Social distancing and protective measures continue to be in effect for all Albertans. This week, it was announced that all individuals in Alberta can get tested for COVID-19 even if you do not display symptoms. Those persons who are not displaying symptoms but wish to be tested must complete the COVID-19 Self-Assessment. Once the assessment questions have been answered, there will be a form to complete. After you have completed the form, you will receive a date and time options for a testing. There is also the option of requesting a call from a representative of Alberta Health Services. The updated assessment site can be

found at: <https://myhealth.alberta.ca/Journey/COVID-19/Pages/COVID-Self-Assessment.aspx>.

- All disability service providers, families with PDD FMS agreements, and FSCD families who directly employ disability workers will continue to be prioritized for access to PPE, including after July 1, 2020. They will not be required to pay for PPE during a State of Public Health Emergency related to COVID-19, including after July 1, 2020. The Alberta government is focused on supplying PPE to organizations with the highest risk of exposure, including disability agencies. Information about PPE for disability service providers is available at <https://www.alberta.ca/covid-19-information-for-disability-service-providers.aspx>

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 execassistant@elves-society.com

Adult Program at adultprogram@elves-society.com

Respite Program at respite@elves-society.com

Warmest wishes,



Barb Tymchak Olafson
Executive Director

PROGRAM DIRECTORY

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Vivian Ross , Family Support Worker (Wed)	ext. 231
Joanne Dam , Family Support Worker (Tues-Sat)	ext. 230
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
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Samantha Treloar , Occupational Therapist for School Program (M-F).....	ext. 219
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