# HEALTHCARE PROVIDER ALERT November 12, 2021



# **IMPORTANT UPDATES ON COVID-19**

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your local Timiskaming Health Unit:

> Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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**To:** Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, Nurses, and Midwives Hospital Infection Control Departments and Emergency Departments

Updated information on the provincial testing guidance as well as the COVID-19 screening form are included in this alert.

### 1. COVID-19 Provincial Testing and Clearance Guidance (v.14.0, November 10, 2021) / FR

Updates include:

- Combined with the previous Quick Reference Public Health Guidance on Testing and Clearance (See section 2)
- New clinical indication for laboratory-based serology testing (p.3)
- Updated targeted testing groups (p.6)
- Clarification for testing for the purposes of facility transfers (p.7)

## 2. COVID-19 Screening form (attached)

Form updated to include the following:

- Last date of exposure
- Date of testing
- Vaccination status