



## AN UPDATED MESSAGE TO OUR VCDA FAMILIES & COMMUNITY PARTNERS

**April 27, 2021**

Dear VCDA Families & Community Partners:

We have been closely monitoring the situation regarding rising cases of COVID 19 in the province. As numbers have been going up, we are taking into consideration the recommendations from public health and have been planning some steps to protect the families we serve and our VCDA staff.

**Beginning April 28th and continuing until May 31st, VCDA will be moving to a remote service delivery format.** VCDA services will be continuing for families, but we will be modifying our service delivery model to provide support to families through remote communications rather than in person home visits and community consultations.

**Our Behavioral Interventionist will be in touch soon with families currently on their caseload,** to offer online video/or audio conferencing along with phone and email contact instead of home visits and community consultations. Our interventionist is still available to provide consultation on child development and behaviors, family support, case coordination/partnerships and transition support, we will just be providing it through online or phone conferencing rather than through our usual in person visits.

This will be a temporary change and we will re-evaluate this situation on an ongoing basis. Our goal in making this change is to protect the families we serve by avoiding the potential for community spread when travelling to and from multiple homes and community programs.

We will continue to monitor the situation closely and will provide further updates soon as we gradually move towards resuming our usual model of service delivery.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions regarding VCDA

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