



Office of the Minister
MLA, Calgary - Acadia

M.O. 632/2020

WHEREAS the Lieutenant Governor in Council made Order in Council 080/2020 under section 52.1(1) of the *Public Health Act* (PHA) on March 17, 2020 declaring a state of public health emergency in Alberta due to pandemic COVID-19 and the significant likelihood of pandemic influenza;

WHEREAS Order in Council 080/2020 has effect for 90 days following March 17, 2020 under section 52.8(1)(a) of the PHA;

WHEREAS section 52.1(3) of the PHA authorizes the Minister of Health (Minister), to make an order without consultation, to:

- (a) suspend or modify the application or operation of all or part of an enactment, subject to the terms and conditions the Minister prescribes, or
- (b) specify or set out provisions that apply in addition to, or instead of, any provision of an enactment

if the Minister is satisfied that doing so is in the public interest;

WHEREAS Order 05-2020 orders that a close contact of a person who is confirmed as having COVID-19 must be in quarantine at home for a minimum 14 day period;

WHEREAS in certain circumstances, police officers need to know whether an individual has tested positive for COVID-19, in order to determine whether the police officer must be in quarantine, in order to protect public health and safety and comply with Order 05-2020; and

WHEREAS I am satisfied that it is in the public interest to make such an order in respect of the *Public Health Act*, to enable police officers to comply with Order 05-2020;

THEREFORE, I, Tyler Shandro, the Minister of Health, pursuant to section 52.1(2) of the *Public Health Act*, do hereby order that:

1. The following is added after section 53(4.1) of the *Public Health Act*.
(4.2) Information obtained by the Chief Medical Officer may be disclosed by the Chief Medical Officer to any police service, as defined

in the *Police Act*, to enable a police officer who has come into contact with the body fluids of an individual claiming to have COVID-19 to comply with Record of Decision – CMOH Order 05-2020.

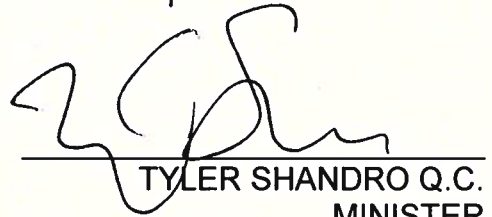
(4.3) The Chief Medical Officer may access and use the Alberta EHR, as defined in Part 5.1 of the *Health Information Act*, in order to disclose information under subsection 53(4.2).

This Order comes into effect on the date set out below.

This Order lapses, unless it is sooner continued by an order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council under section 52.811(3) of the PHA, at the earliest of the following:

- (a) August 14, 2020;
- (b) 60 days after Order in Council 080/2020 is terminated by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, if Order in Council 080/2020 is terminated before June 15, 2020;
- (c) when this Order is terminated by the Minister under section 52.811(2) of the PHA because the Minister is satisfied that this Order is no longer in the public interest; or
- (d) when this Order is terminated by the Lieutenant Governor in Council under section 52.811(1)(c) of the PHA.

DATED at *Edmonton*, Alberta this *4th* day of *May*, 2020.



TYLER SHANDRO Q.C.
MINISTER