Special Measures Order (Travel)

Made pursuant to Section 28 of the Public Health Protection and Promotion Act

May 15, 2020

TO: All Individuals arriving in Newfoundland and Labrador from outside of the province

WHEREAS:

- A. While a declaration of a public health emergency is in effect, the Chief Medical Officer of Health may do one or more of the special measures authorized under section 28 of the **Public Health Protection and Promotion Act** for the purpose of protecting the health of the population and preventing, remedying or mitigating the effects of the public health emergency:
- **B.** On March 18, 2020, the Minister of Health and Community Services, on the advice of the Chief Medical Officer of Health, declared:
 - (i) a public health emergency as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic;
 - (ii) the public health emergency is in effect for the entire province of Newfoundland and Labrador; and
 - (iii) the public health emergency is in effect for a period of 14 days effective immediately;
- C. The public health emergency has been extended for 14-day intervals and is currently still in effect.
- D. The Chief Medical Officer of Health, pursuant to subsection 28(2) of the Public Health Protection and Promotion Act, may provide notice in any manner that can reasonably be expected to give actual notice;
- E. The Chief Medical Officer of Health, pursuant to section 28 of the **Public Health Protection and Promotion Act**, made Special Measures Orders effective April 25, 2020 and April 29, 2020;
- **F.** The Chief Medical Officer of Health believes that special measures continue to be necessary for the purpose of protecting the health of the population and preventing, remedying or mitigating the effects of the public health emergency; and

G. The Chief Medical Officer of Health believes, in accordance with section 13 of the Public Health Protection and Promotion Act, that the restrictions set out in this Special Measures Order (Travel) are the least intrusive measures reasonably required in the circumstances to respond to the public health emergency,

Pursuant to section 28 of the Public Health Protection and Promotion Act, I, Dr. Janice Fitzgerald, Chief Medical Officer of Health HEREBY ORDER:

- 1. For the purpose of this Order, "resident" means an individual who:
 - a. is lawfully entitled to be or to remain in Canada;
 - b. makes his or her home in the province; and
 - c. is ordinarily present in the province,

but does not include a tourist, transient or visitor to the province.

- **2.** All individuals are prohibited from entering Newfoundland and Labrador, except for the following:
 - a. Residents of Newfoundland and Labrador;
 - b. Asymptomatic workers and individuals who are subject to the Updated Exemption Order effective April 22, 2020; and
 - c. Individuals who have been permitted entry to the province in extenuating circumstances, as approved in advance by the Chief Medical Officer of Health.
- 3. All individuals arriving in Newfoundland and Labrador from outside the province must self-isolate for 14 days, including those individuals arriving from other provinces and territories in Canada. Please see: gov.nl.ca/covid-19 for detailed information on self-isolation.
- 4. All individuals arriving in Newfoundland and Labrador from outside the province must complete a declaration form and submit it to a representative of the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador as identified at their point of entry in the province.
- 5. All individuals arriving in Newfoundland and Labrador from outside the province must provide specifics of their plan for complying with the requirement to self-isolate for 14 days following their arrival in the province.
- 6. All individuals arriving in Newfoundland and Labrador by motor vehicle from the province of Quebec must immediately stop at their point of entry when indicated by a representative of the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, for the purposes of submitting the declaration form and specifics of their self-isolation plan as outlined in Orders 4 and 5, respectively.

7. All individuals arriving in Newfoundland and Labrador from outside the province must be available for contact with public health officials during the duration of the 14-day self-isolation period.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT:

- 1. This Order applies to all individuals arriving in Newfoundland and Labrador from outside the province.
- 2. This Special Measures Order (Travel) repeals and replaces the Special Measures Orders dated April 25, 2020 and April 29, 2020.
- 3. All other Special Measures Orders and Exemption Orders remain in full force and effect.

TAKE NOTICE THAT:

- 1. Failure to comply with this order may result in an application to the Supreme Court, in accordance with section 42 of the **Public Health Protection and Promotion Act** to enforce the relevant provisions of this Order.
- 2. A person who is subject to an order made by the Chief Medical Officer of Health may request that the Chief Medical Officer of Health reconsider the order by filing a written request for reconsideration within 7 days after the day on which the order is served on a person. A written request for review or reconsideration of this order shall include:
 - (i) the reasons for the request;
 - (ii) a summary of the facts relevant to the request;
 - (iii) whether the order should be revoked or how it should be varied; and
 - (iv) the contact information of the person making the request and shall be sent to the following address:

The Chief Medical Officer of Health Department of Health and Community Services PO Box 8700 St. John's, NL A1B 4J6

- 3. The Chief Medical Officer of Health shall review this Order no less than once every 5 days while the Order is in effect.
- 4. This Order remains in effect during any review or reconsideration.

- **5.** Failure to comply with this Order is an offence for which you may be liable on summary conviction in accordance with section 56 of the *Public Health Protection and Promotion Act*.
- 6. For greater certainty, compliance with this Order is required in addition to and not in substitution for any requirement imposed by or under any applicable law.

Signed at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 15th day of May, 2020.

Dr. Janice Fitzgerald

Chief Medical Officer of Health