

NEWS RELEASE

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HEALTH UNIT WORKS WITH BARS AND RESTAURANTS TO CONTINUE OR START TAKE-OUT AND DELIVERY

NORTH BAY, ON - The North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit (Health Unit) is proud of the actions taken to-date by all organizations that have been recommended to close in our district, and also the bars and restaurants that have had to close and/or move to take-out and delivery only. Many of these establishments are locally owned and operated and have put the community's well-being over their business.

The Health Unit is committed to helping bars and restaurants to continue or start take-out and delivery services. All establishments throughout our district have been contacted to make sure they have the most up-to-date information about the province's order to close bars and restaurants. Restaurant and bar operators can access more information on the Health Unit's website myhealthunit.ca/COVID-19 or by calling a Public Health Inspector at 1-800-563-2808 ext. 5400.

The public can continue to enjoy local restaurant food via take-out or delivery. Here are some tips to continue to social distance while enjoying take-out or delivery:

- Order food ahead of time (call or order online);
- If ordering in person, place your order and wait outside until ready;
- Practice social distancing;
- Use simple and easy hygiene practices:
 - Regular handwashing or using alcohol-based sanitizer
 - not touching your face
 - covering your cough or sneeze

Individuals who are in self-isolation can order take-out; however, to avoid contact, to reduce your risk the order could be paid in advance and delivered outside the home. If you have questions about self-isolation or self-distancing please visit the Health Unit's website myhealthunit.ca/COVID-19.

Be informed. Be prepared. Be protected.

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