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Dear Referrer:

RE: Beaver Lake Counselling Service Announcement

Greetings from Beaver Lake Camp and Counselling Centre!

The past 18 months have been very challenging at many levels with the global pandemic. In an effort to provide much needed mental health services, Beaver Lake Counselling Services has worked hard in the past 18 months with our local Health Unit to establish protocols to protect both client families and staff during our on-site, ten day counselling programs.

As we move into our Fall 2021/Winter 2022 counselling season, we are needing to **make some changes** to the services we offer.

Due to the complexity of protocols **we will only be accepting fully vaccinated adults** into our 10 day program and require proof of full vaccination prior to arrival. A hallmark feature of our programming is that we have traditionally worked with families. We regret that we cannot accept children and/or provide childcare at this time.

In an effort to lower the risk of COVID spread, clients will only interact with fully vaccinated staff and other fully vaccinated clients while at Beaver Lake Camp. The goal is to create smaller bubbles of people to lower risks of exposure. Clients are asked not to leave Camp during the program. Exceptions will be made for medical or testing purposes. In these cases a vaccinated staff member will accompany the client to/from the appointment.

Previous safety protocols are still in place and include masking when with other clients/staff, hand sanitization, daily symptom monitoring, and distancing as possible during the program.

As before, each client or couple will live in a fully furnished apartment. We will be providing prepared lunch take outs as well as food for clients to prepare their own breakfast and dinner in their apartment.

If you have questions, I can be reached by phone at (807) 216-7941.

In your service,

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