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Good afternoon,

As of tomorrow, it will be three weeks since the Saskatchewan Health Authority declared the outbreak at the Saskatoon Correctional Centre over. This makes it eligible to transition into Phase 2 of the Ministry's de-escalation of COVID -19 Measures protocol

Phase 2 will be in effect starting at 11pm, Friday March 17<sup>th</sup>. The two biggest changes with how we have been operating over the last several weeks will be:

- Removal of continuous masking for all units not deemed Isolation, Quarantine, Admission/Assessment, and Admitting (with some exceptions).

- Work groups like cleaners, laundry, food carts, kitchen inmates and kitchen staff to keep masking due to the nature of their work and their movement throughout the facility.
- Mixed unit classrooms and programs can resume.

The PPE requirements in Isolation, Quarantine, Admission/Assessment, and Admitting units will remain as they are now as will the Admission process, Custody Testing and Transfer protocols.

For those that prefer to continue to wear a mask outside of the above units, you are able to do so. Regular hand washing/sanitizing, proper cough etiquette, physical distancing and universal precautions are still encouraged.

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