Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care



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Directive HCP03-02 July 15, 2003

DIRECTIVE TO ALL ONTARIO HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS IN COMMUNITY SETTINGS AND COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE AGENCIES (Excluding Community Care Access Centres)

Health Care Providers in the above settings in Toronto, York and Durham are advised that Section B (Routine Practices – Enhanced) in the Directive HCP03-01(R) may be resumed and Section C (SARS Outbreak Control Measures) discontinued, effective Wednesday, July 16, 2003.

It is essential that practitioners continue a high level of vigilance and infection control for patients with respiratory illness, as outlined in the Directive. Moreover, patients with respiratory symptoms or fever should be questioned about similar illnesses in their household and close contacts. The local Public Health unit is to be notified if clusters of febrile respiratory illness are identified.

Dr. James G. Young Commissioner of Public Security **Dr. Colin D'Cunha** Commissioner of Public Health and Chief Medical Officer of Health