



YMCA of Pictou County  
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June 10, 2020

**RE: YMCA of Pictou County Reopening Phase 1**

Dear YMCA Members,

The YMCA of Pictou County has been in suspended operations since March 17, 2020 and using virtual connections to engage with some of our members and families. We are excited that we are now gearing up for reopening gradually, using modified operations! **COVID-19 is an important health concern and safety is the priority behind our reopening plans.** We have been working in partnership with the Pictou County Wellness Centre on plans and timelines for gradual reopening phases.

I would like to share a quote from our YMCA Board Chair Jodi Matlock about our reopening plan; "The YMCA of Pictou County is excited to be part of Nova Scotia's reopening plan. There is a need for Y services in our Community for the physical and mental health of residents. We will reintroduce programs slowly and safely according to Provincial guidelines."

**Child Care Services Reopening:**

Our existing YMCA Child Care Services located within the Pictou County Wellness Centre will resume with operational safety changes on June 15, 2020 following all Provincial Guidelines. These services are available to the families we were serving before March 17, 2020.

We will continue the process to obtain licencing for our new Child Care location located at 53 High Street. We are still taking reservations for our new child care centre; please contact Samantha MacDonald at [Samantha.macdonald@pcymca.ca](mailto:Samantha.macdonald@pcymca.ca) if you are interested in learning more.

**Health, Fitness & Aquatics Services:**

The Province has approved Fitness providers to reopen following approved guidelines. We will resume Fitness Services in the following manner as **Phase 1 Reopening plan (June 22-August 8):**

- **While the doors of the YMCA remain closed and locked, we will offer** in person visits for those registered for a Program (by appointment process using program registration so we can safely reopen in a staged and incremental approach).
- **All YMCA Memberships will remain on Hold during Phase 1.**



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- For YMCA Members who are on hold and interested, they will have an opportunity to register for a regular 7 week Fitness Program while spots are available; [http://pcymca.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Phase-1-HFA-Re-opening-Programs\\_Final.pdf](http://pcymca.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Phase-1-HFA-Re-opening-Programs_Final.pdf)
- For Future Updates: <http://pcymca.ca/news-events/>
  - **Registration will be online through Race Roster.** Registration starts on June 10, 2020  
<https://raceroster.com/events/2020/32240/pcymca-re-opening-fitness-packages>
- Since the YMCA will remain closed to regular traffic, we will have staff available to answer phones Monday-Friday 9am-noon, commencing on Thursday June 18, 2020 (902-752-02020)
- We do not know at this time when we can reopen the Pool or if we can offer Summer Day Camps. While we remain optimistic, we are still waiting on Public Health Guidelines and Provincial direction on this. As soon as we have direction we will release more program registration information on our website.
- All other Programs and services remain suspended until we can safely reinstate them as per provincial guidelines.

### **Future Phases of reopening (after August 9)**

- In Late July, we will share options for Members who wish to return to Memberships and how to use our new software to schedule your activities at the YMCA.

Please follow us on Facebook (@YMCAPictouCounty) or visit our “Reopening page” on our website; <http://pcymca.ca> for additional information and for future updates. We have a solid, safe plan and we are ready to do this! We are excited for the opportunity to serve you again and look forward to seeing you in the near future!

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