## **COVID-19 INFORMATION**

# TIPS FOR REMEMBRANCE DAY

#### General:

- Organizers and participants should be aware of local public health requirements.
- Whenever possible, host ceremonies virtually or outdoors.
  - Consider offering virtual attendance options.
- Veterans and participants should be reminded to physically distance upon entry into, during, and upon exiting the ceremony area.
  - Place easy to distinguish floor markers to indicate physical distancing and ensure seating is adequately distanced.
- Consider the following when supporting mobility for veterans and other attendees (e.g., individuals who use wheelchairs or walking supports):
  - Wherever possible, have members of the same household¹ provide any support required or requested.
  - Perform hand hygiene before and after providing mobility support.
- Limit the number of people who need to share or touch items (e.g., podiums, flags, wreaths).

# The Restrictions Exemption Program (REP):

- Both indoor and outdoor ceremonies are eligible for REP (removes capacity limits and physical distancing requirements).
- Organizers should review the <u>Requirements for</u> the <u>Restrictions Exemption Program</u>.

#### Face masks:

- Whether REP is implemented or not, all individuals attending any indoor components of a ceremony must wear a face mask, in compliance with CMOH Orders.
- Those who are immunocompromised or who are in older age categories (i.e., 65+) should consider

- wearing a medical face mask indoors for enhanced protection.
- Speakers at indoor ceremonies under REP may temporarily remove their mask while speaking at a podium, 2 metres apart at all times.

# **Capacity limits:**

- There are no capacity limits on outdoor ceremonies but physical distancing is required.
- Indoor ceremonies must follow capacity limits outlined by CMOH Order 44-2021, unless REP is implemented.
- Members of different households must stay 2 metres apart at all times, unless REP is implemented.

#### Performances:

- Outdoor ceremonies are permitted to have solo or group performers.
- Solo performers are permitted for indoor ceremonies that have not implemented REP.
- Group and solo performances are permitted for indoor ceremonies that have implemented REP.

#### Vaccination:

- Albertans attending ceremonies are strongly encouraged to be fully vaccinated to protect all attendees.
  - Those eligible for their third dose are strongly encouraged to receive it prior to attending an in-person ceremony. Please visit <a href="https://www.alberta.ca/covid19-vaccine.aspx">https://www.alberta.ca/covid19-vaccine.aspx</a> for eligibility information.

### **Poppy Donation**

- Provide/use hand sanitizer if exchanging poppies for cash donations.
- Promote the use of cashless donations (i.e. "tap", debit) wherever possible.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> a household is <u>either</u>: the individuals who all consistently reside in the same residence OR an individual who lives alone and their 2 close contacts