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Commentary on Joyce Echaquan by Dr. Bernice Downey

Dr. Bernice Downey, FHS Indigenous Health Lead shares her compelling commentary on the tragic death of Joyce Echaquan in Montreal on September 28th. Once again, this tragic story among many others highlights the strong need for

equality in Canada. Please take a moment to read Bernice's commentary on Joyce Echaquan. The article also provides additional information and resources for everyone.

[Commentary on Joyce Echaquan: Call for Institutional and Individual Allyship and Action.](#) By Bernice Downey, Indigenous Health Lead, FHS



COVID-19 UPDATES

The PGME office is closely watching the current surge in numbers of COVID-19 cases. Up to this point, redeployment has not been necessary but may still occur in the coming weeks/months. We will

continue to keep everyone up to date as information becomes available.

Travel & Isolation - Currently, as per our hospital guidelines, all PG Learners are required to self-isolate when returning from international travel, including those coming to McMaster for electives. Self-isolation does not extend to domestic travel (i.e. those travelling within Canada) at this time.

Eye Protection - SJHH recently communicated that universal eye protection for patient-facing activities must be worn in specific areas. The full memo is available on our [SJHH communication page.](#)

Parent/caregiver with school-aged children - Both [HHS](#) & [SJHH](#) have provided guidelines and decision trees for the possible scenarios with children in school. Please review them to ensure you are aware of the steps that need to be followed.

EHS/OHS Workflow - Please familiarize yourself with the [self-screening workflow](#) that is required by HHS & SJHH. All the necessary contacts are there should you require them.

POLICY UPDATES

This month, PGEC has updated and approved the Health & Personal Safety Policy. All polices can be viewed on the [PGME policy website](#).

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