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Métis Nation-Saskatchewan
Provincial Métis Council Meeting, October 19, 2021.

**RESOLUTION ON COVID-19 PROTOCOLS FOR
FALL 2021 MÉTIS NATION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

WHEREAS Métis Nation-Saskatchewan has been a leader in Covid-19 supports and safety procedures, protecting Métis Elders, children, immunocompromised people and other citizens;

WHEREAS the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA) brings together delegates from all parts of Saskatchewan and could endanger the health of Métis delegates and communities without strong Covid-19 protocols; and

WHEREAS MN-S now has the technological ability for delegates to participate fully without being present;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Provincial Métis Council will support the following Covid-19 protocols for the Fall 2021 MNLA and all other future MN-S events/meetings.

1. In-Person and Virtual Attendance

- a) *In person attendance:* In-person attendance at the MNLA and all other future MN-S events/meetings will be available to delegates, designated staff and invited attendees who have received two Covid-19 vaccinations.
- b) *Virtual Attendance:* Delegates who are unvaccinated for Covid-19 (either by choice or for other reasons), delegates who have received one dose of vaccination, and delegates who are concerned about the safety of in-person gatherings can participate in the MNLA and all other future MN-S events/meetings through online via zoom platform. Delegates who participate by zoom will still be able to vote, participate in roll call, and speak to resolutions.

2. Screening

- a) All delegates, designated staff and invited attendees who are eligible for in-person attendance will be required to show proof of vaccination (either QR code or paper vaccination record) at the entrance to the MNLA or other future MN-S events/meetings. After this, they will receive a bracelet as proof of vaccination.
- b) Screening will be done daily and will include:
 - Answering questions on Covid-19 symptoms; and
 - Temperature check.

Anyone who has an elevated temperature or shows evidence of Covid-19 symptoms will not be allowed to enter the MNLA or other future MN-S events/meetings.

Arrangements will be made for them to participate by zoom. Additionally, MN-S health officials will follow up with them on their health status.

- c) Rapid testing will be provided on site to accommodate the following circumstances:
 - o Eligible participants who are not able to provide proof of vaccination.
 - o Eligible participants who have been in close contact with a positive case of Covid-19 within the past 14 days.
 - o Any delegates, designated staff or invited attendees who would like to be tested.

Anyone who tests positive will not be allowed to enter the MNLA or other future MN-S events/meetings. Arrangement will be made for them to participate by zoom.

Additionally, MN-S health officials will follow up with them on their health status.

- d) Individuals who refuse to meet any of these screening requirements will not be allowed to enter.

3. **Safety protocols at venue**

- a) Masks will be required except when eating or drinking;
- b) Social distancing should be observed as much as possible; and
- c) Hand sanitizing.

4. **Observers, Family and Others**

- a) In-person attendance at the MNLA and all other future MN-S events/meetings will be restricted to eligible delegates, designate staff and invited attendees. This applies to all MNLA events including meetings, banquet and other meals.
- b) All others are invited to watch the livestream of the MNLA and all other future MN-S events/meetings via the MN-S website.

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