

**Ministerial Order 2021-077 of the Minister of Health and Social Services dated
29 October 2021**

Public Health Act
(chapter S-2.2)

Ordering of measures to protect the health of the
population amid the COVID-19 pandemic situation

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THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES,

CONSIDERING section 118 of the Public Health Act (chapter S-2.2) which provides that the Government may declare a public health emergency in all or part of the territory of Québec where a serious threat to the health of the population, whether real or imminent, requires the immediate application of certain measures provided for in section 123 of the Act to protect the health of the population;

CONSIDERING Order in Council 177-2020 dated 13 March 2020 declaring a public health emergency throughout Québec for a period of 10 days;

CONSIDERING that the public health emergency has consistently been renewed since that date by various Orders in Council, including by Order in Council 1349-2021 dated 27 October 2021;

CONSIDERING that Ministerial Order 2020-099 dated 3 December 2020, amended by Ministerial Orders 2021-005 dated 28 January 2021, 2021-022 dated 7 April 2021, 2021-024 dated 9 April 2021, 2021-027 dated 16 April 2021 and 2021-028 dated 17 April 2021, provides for, among other things, the

authorization, for certain persons, to administer a flu or COVID-19 vaccine, or to mix substances to complete the preparation of a COVID-19 vaccine, on certain conditions;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 885-2021 dated 23 June 2021, amended by Ministerial Orders 2021-049 dated 1 July 2021, 2021-050 dated 2 July 2021, 2021-053 dated 10 July 2021, 2021-055 dated 30 July 2021, 2021-057 dated 4 August 2021, 2021-058 dated 13 August 2021, 2021-059 dated 18 August 2021, 2021-060 dated 24 August 2021, 2021-061 dated 31 August 2021, 2021-062 dated 3 September 2021, 2021-063 dated 9 September 2021, 2021-065 dated 24 September 2021, 2021-066 dated 1 October 2021, 2021-067 dated 8 October 2021, 2021-068 dated 9 October 2021, 2021-069 dated 12 October 2021, 2021-073 dated 22 October 2021 and 2021-074 dated 25 October 2021, provides for, among other things, certain special measures to apply throughout Québec;

CONSIDERING that that Order in Council also empowers the Minister of Health and Social Services to order any modification or clarification of the measures provided for in the Order;

CONSIDERING that Ministerial Order 2021-071 dated 16 October 2021 provides for, among other things, the payment of certain lump sums to certain salaried persons in the health and social services network;

CONSIDERING that Order in Council 1349-2021 dated 27 October 2021 empowers the Minister of Health and Social Services to take any of the measures provided for in subparagraphs 1 to 8 of the first paragraph of section 123 of the Public Health Act;

CONSIDERING that the current situation of the COVID-19 pandemic allows for the easing of certain measures set in place to protect the health of the population, while maintaining certain of the measures necessary to continue that protection;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

THAT the operating part of Order in Council 885-2021 dated 23 June 2021, amended by Ministerial Orders 2021-049 dated 1 July 2021, 2021-050 dated 2 July 2021, 2021-053 dated 10 July 2021, 2021-055 dated

30 July 2021, 2021-057 dated 4 August 2021, 2021-058 dated 13 August 2021, 2021-059 dated 18 August 2021, 2021-060 dated 24 August 2021, 2021-061 dated 31 August 2021, 2021-062 dated 3 September 2021, 2021-063 dated 9 September 2021, 2021-065 dated 24 September 2021, 2021-066 dated 1 October 2021, 2021-067 dated 8 October 2021, 2021-068 dated 9 October 2021, 2021-069 dated 12 October 2021, 2021-073 dated 22 October 2021 and 2021-074 dated 25 October 2021, be further amended

(1) in the fourteenth paragraph,

(a) by replacing “two metres” in subparagraph i of subparagraph a of subparagraph 7 by “one metre”;

(b) by striking out subparagraphs *a* and *b* of subparagraph 10;

(c) by striking out subparagraph 11;

(d) by inserting the following after subparagraph 14.1:

“(14.2) the exception provided for in subparagraph 11 of the seventh paragraph does not apply to the participants or members of the public referred to in subparagraphs 14 and 14.1 of this paragraph;”;

(e) by replacing subparagraph 25 by the following:

“(25) a maximum of 50 persons may be present in a rented hall or community hall in cases other than those provided for in subparagraphs 22 to 24, except

(a) if the hall is used for vacation camp or day camp activities; or

(b) for a gathering, a convention, a meeting, a recognition ceremony or graduation or other event of the same nature;”;

THAT the operating part of Ministerial Order 2020-099 dated 3 December 2020, amended by Ministerial Orders 2021-005 dated 28 January 2021, 2021-022 dated 7 April 2021, 2021-024 dated 9 April 2021, 2021-027 dated 16 April 2021 and 2021-028 dated 17 April 2021, be further amended by replacing “6 years” in the fifth and sixth paragraphs by “5 years”;

THAT the operating part of Ministerial Order 2021-071 dated 16 October 2021 be further amended

(1) by inserting “or a palliative care hospice within the meaning of paragraph 2 of section 3 of the Act respecting end-of-life care (chapter S-32.0001)” after “a private institution not under agreement” in the twenty-fifth paragraph;

(2) by inserting “or a religious institution which maintains residential and long-term care facilities to receive its members or followers” after “a private seniors’ residence” in the twenty-sixth paragraph;

THAT the measures set out in this Ministerial Order take effect on 1 November 2021.

Québec, 29 2021

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