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COVID-19 UPDATE #87

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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT UPDATES

CERB Extended - Prime Minister Trudeau announced that the government is [extending the Canada Emergency Response Benefit \(CERB\) by eight weeks](#) to ensure Canadians have the help they need as they transition back to work. This extension will make the benefit available to eligible workers for up to a total of 24 weeks.

Canada-U.S. Border Remains Closed - The Prime Minister also announced that the Canada-U.S. border will remain closed to non-essential travel until at least July 21st, 2020. More information will be provided as it becomes available.

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT UPDATES

General Workplace Guide - The Ontario government is providing employers with a [new general workplace guide](#) which will help them develop a safety plan to better protect workers, customers and clients. The new downloadable toolkit offers tips on how to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 as more people get back on the job during Stage 2 of the reopening of the province.

Regulatory Change - In response to requests by community leaders and public health experts, the Ontario government is [proposing a regulatory change](#) to mandate the reporting of data on race, income, language and household size for individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19. This will help ensure the province has a more complete picture of the outbreak. This change will allow for the collection of data in a consistent way across the province, while ensuring the privacy of Ontarians is protected.

