COMMUNICABLE DISEASE PREVENTION FOR VOLUNTEER TRAINING AND SUBSEQUENT VOLUNTEERING FOR THE VANCOUVER ISLAND CRISIS SOCIETY

The Vancouver Island Crisis Society (VICS) recognizes the importance of our staff’s and volunteers’ wellness.

The following guidelines and protocols apply to volunteer trainees and their subsequent roles as volunteers:

- If any volunteer trainee is sick – for example, with symptoms such as a fever or a cough – this trainee is NOT able to attend on-site training on the days for which they are scheduled. The volunteer trainee or volunteer must contact info@vicrisis.ca to inform VICS of their health status.

- Masks are no longer required to be worn, as of March 11, 2022. Participants can choose to wear masks, if they wish.

- As VICS is an agency contracted by Provincial Health Services Authority, volunteer trainees must show proof of vaccination to attend on-site training and to subsequently volunteer on-site. Volunteers training on-site will be asked about their wellness as they arrive. Remote-trained volunteers do not need to show proof of vaccination.

- Hand sanitizers and masks will be available whether attending volunteer training sessions at on VICS premises.

- By submitting an application form for volunteer training and subsequent volunteerism, applicants indicate that they agree to these guidelines and protocols and release the Vancouver Island Crisis Society of any liability if they were to contract COVID-19 through their participation in any volunteer training, observation, or support session presented by VICS. They understand that VICS facilitators have the right to refuse their participation in any training session when they are sick.

A huge thank you for your continued support!