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Dear Friends and Family of CNIB Lake Joe,

Hello from CNIB Lake Joe! I hope you and your family are healthy and safe. Although the start of camp is still many weeks away, I am writing to let you know CNIB Lake Joe is closely monitoring the current COVID-19 pandemic and making the necessary changes as this unprecedented situation evolves. Safeguarding the health and safety of our campers, staff, and volunteers remains our top priority. We are receiving daily updates from all relevant organizations, including public health authorities and the Ontario Camps Association.

CNIB Lake Joe is all about community

In this time of physical distancing, we are encouraging our campers to explore and take advantage of the CNIB Foundation's [virtual program offerings](#). We will continue to be in touch with our community and post regular updates on [social media](#).

Coming Soon - New CNIB Lake Joe Virtual Camp Programs

To keep our CNIB Lake Joe community connected, our team is creating new virtual camp programs to provide more opportunities for people from across Canada to experience the 'magic' of CNIB Lake Joe from the comfort of home. If you have any ideas for virtual camp program you would like to experience or would like to volunteer to help, please let me know.

Planning for the 2020 Season

In response to COVID-19, we are implementing new health and safety protocols to ensure the wellbeing of our community. These include pre-screening of all campers, staff and volunteers, as well as additional hygiene and sanitation procedures. As the situation continues to evolve, details will be shared before the season begins.

Out of an abundance of caution for our campers, staff and volunteers, we are rescheduling early spring program offerings to be offered later in the season. New dates will be posted on the [CNIB Lake Joe website](#). For more information, please email lakejoe@cnib.ca. If you have already registered for one of the spring programs that is being rescheduled, we will contact you directly to confirm next steps.



Updated Registration Information

Our CNIB Lake Joe season is many weeks away, and we all hope physical distancing is behind us in time for camp. However, please know that you will be eligible to receive a 100% refund, if our summer camps are cancelled due to COVID-19. These are difficult times for all of us. If you can, please consider donating your refund to receive a tax receipt. Your gift will help CNIB Lake Joe continue to deliver life-changing programs in-person, online and over the phone. Thank you.

If you have not already paid your camp registration fee in full, please note we have extended the camp deadline to **June 15, 2020**. Given the current situation, please do not mail your camp registration fees at this time.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to call the office at **1-877-748-4028** and leave a voice message, and we will return your call as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Eugene Chong
General Manager
CNIB Lake Joe