



**To:** CCFF Trustees and Personnel  
CCFF CF Adult Committee and Chapter Adult Liaisons

**From:** Cathleen Morrison

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**Re:** Special Precautions for Individuals Attending the Adult CF Clinic at St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto

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We are writing to ensure that members of the CF community are aware of special infection control measures, now in place, for all individuals who attend the Adult CF Clinic at St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto.

A small number of new acquisitions of *Burkholderia cepacia* complex has recently been identified among individuals who receive care at the clinic. Because of this unusual situation, Dr. Elizabeth Tullis, CF Clinic Director and Chair of the CCFF Clinic Subcommittee has decided to "err on the side of over-caution". Thus, the Adult CF Clinic at St. Michael's Hospital has recommended that, until further notice, individuals with CF who attend this clinic have no in-person contact with other individuals with CF, either within or outside St. Michael's Hospital.

With respect to the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, its Board, Committees, Associations and Chapters, this means that individuals who attend St. Michael's Adult CF Clinic will not be in a position to attend in person any meetings or events, until further notice, where other people with CF may be in attendance.

As of this date, CF clinic staff have already called those individuals with CF who have had contact with someone who has recently acquired *Burkholderia cepacia*. Updates will be provided as further information is available.

Individuals with CF who attend the Adult CF Clinic at St. Michael's Hospital may contact the clinic directly for further information.