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**MEMORANDUM TO:** All Chiefs of Police and  
Commissioner Thomas Carrique  
Chairs, Police Services Boards

**FROM:** Richard Stubbings  
Assistant Deputy Minister  
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**SUBJECT:** **Basic Constable Training (BCT) Returning Recruits**

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Further to All Chiefs Memo 20-0020, dated March 20, 2020, I would like to provide you additional updates on BCT returning recruits that was also shared with impacted training bureaus.

As you know, on the advice of public health officials, the Ontario Police College (OPC) implemented a number of mitigation strategies to maintain the health and safety of both recruits and staff at the College, including:

- Shortening the length of the BCT program and delivering training over the weekend to ensure recruits remained onsite for the duration of the program;
- Cancellation of the March Past Ceremony, which will be rescheduled to a future date;
- Visitors not being allowed on site; and
- The cancellation of all non-essential activities related to the BCT program.

In addition to the above mitigation strategies, OPC Health Unit staff were present on the last day of exams, March 26, 2020, to ensure that every recruit was screened and provided with information from Public Health on self-screening and self-isolation prior to leaving the exam.

### **Screening**

All recruits were asked to complete the attached self-screening tool and submit it to OPC Health Unit staff. They were also visually examined by Health Unit staff to ensure that no recruit was showing any physical signs that would be indicative of COVID-19 symptoms.

All recruits were screened successfully and no concerns were noted via the self-screening and visual examination by Health Unit staff.

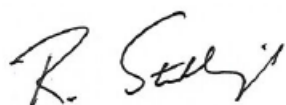
### **Public Health Brochures**

All recruits were provided with the attached brochures on how to continue to self-monitor and self-isolate if required.

Please note, that OPC has no confirmed cases of COVID-19 to-date.

We would like to thank all the recruits and their police services for their support and cooperation in adhering to the mitigation strategies set by OPC during this difficult time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Stubbings'.

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Attachments