

## **COVID-19 Protocol 14** **Behaviour Management**

The health and safety of all individuals is of utmost importance. All staff shall adhere to the following protocol and are to report any unsafe behaviour or violation of this protocol to their Supervisor immediately. Any questions regarding this protocol shall be directed to their supervisor. This protocol is for internal use only.

### **Scope**

This protocol applies to the implementation of Behaviour Management Systems protocols related to blocks, releases and containment (restraint).

### **1.0 General Requirements**

- 1.1 It is the policy of the TVDSB that containments (restraints) are to be used as a last resort and only when there is imminent danger of the student harming themselves or others.
- 1.2 BMS trained staff may contain a student under such conditions; however, a plan must be developed to ensure that the staff are equipped with appropriate PPE. This may include such items as, medical masks (mandatory), gloves, isolation gowns and eye protection (e.g. face shield), etc.
- 1.3 All Management of Aggressive Behaviour Safety Plans must be updated to include the specific PPE required by staff.

### **2.0 Practice**

- 2.1 Individual staff designated to perform containments (restraints) must wear PPE as outlined in the Management of Aggressive Behaviour Plan at all times
- 2.2 Disposable gowns must be worn over Stealthwear, arm guards, shin guards or any other soft surface personal protective equipment due to the challenges in cleaning these materials.

### **3.0 Training**

- 3.1 Virtual BMS Recertification Training will continue to be offered through Teams
- 3.2 BMS consultation can be requested through the Learning Coordinator – Special Education
- 3.3 Targeted in-person BMS Training of containments (restraints) will be provided on a case by case basis as required.

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