

Boil Water Advisory in South East Barrie

Attention: Dentists, NSM LHIN, Central LHIN

Date: April 5, 2019

Due to a large water main break at Yonge Street and Big Bay Point Road in Barrie, residents and businesses within the affected area as indicated on the attached map and also available at the following link: (https://www.barrie.ca/City%20Hall/MediaRoom/Documents/WatermainBreak-AffectedArea_April5.jpg) are being advised to boil their water.

For dental offices the implications are water from public systems cannot be used in any dental treatment, or for hand hygiene and reprocessing.

The Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario, Infection Prevention and Control Guidelines 2018, page 30 provides specific guidance for dental offices on the precautions that must be taken.

The information is available at: https://az184419.vo.msecnd.net/rcdso/pdf/standards-of-practice/RCDSO_Standard_of_Practice_IPAC.pdf

Postpone treatment if possible or use distilled or bottled water through a closed delivery system. Use alcohol based hand rubs for hand hygiene and if hands are contaminated or visibly soiled use distilled or bottled water and antimicrobial soap.

Once the boil water advisory has ended all taps and waterlines need to be flushed for five minutes and all dental waterlines in dental units and equipment need to be disinfected.

If you have any questions please call the Infectious Diseases Program at 705- 721-7520 or 1-877-721-7520 extension 8809 during business hours or after hours at 1-888-225-7851 or the RCDSO if you require further information.



Affected Area

