



## A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

### GILLES ALLAIN

Yesterday, the Government of New Brunswick declared a State of Emergency under section 12 of the Emergency Measures Act to help contain the spread of COVID-19. We all knew this would likely happen but it is still jarring nonetheless.

The entire provincial healthcare teams are working hard to keep our communities healthy and safe. The dedicated teams throughout many facilities in the area are on the front line of this crisis and we are thankful for their tireless efforts. Please remember to follow all guidelines from [www.gnb.ca/coronavirus](http://www.gnb.ca/coronavirus) regarding COVID-19.

In keeping with the critical need to achieve social distancing to prevent further community spread of COVID-19, the Chalmers Foundation staff will continue working remotely and we will do our best to serve you while using all the appropriate precautions.

We continue to appreciate your support and donations can be made through mail – at 700 Priestman St. Fredericton NB, E3B 5N5 or securely online through our website – [chalmersfoundation.com](http://chalmersfoundation.com).

In addition, all board, committee or group meetings during the next several weeks will be conducted digitally, via teleconference or postponed. Several third party fundraising events have already been postponed and we look forward to finding a date to reschedule.

We are grateful to physicians and nurses, all other hospital staff and our first responders who continue to work diligently to ensure we are safe during Covid-19. We also extend our thanks and appreciation to their families for the impact it is having on their lives.

We are a strong community, committed to supporting each other and know we will come out better on the other side of this. Remember to contact 811 if you are feeling unwell before you head to any emergency room. If you are feeling overwhelmed, volunteers of the Chimo Crisis Phone Line are available at 1-800-667-5005.

If at any time you have questions, please feel free to email me directly at [gilles.allain@horizonnb.ca](mailto:gilles.allain@horizonnb.ca).

