



July 3, 2018

Mr. Rob Maisonville, CAO
Corporation of the County of Essex
360 Fairview Ave., W.
Essex, Ont. N8M 1Y6

Dear Mr. Maisonville:

The Smoke-free Ontario Act, 2017 – Delayed Implementation

Recently, you received a letter indicating changes to the *Smoke-free Ontario Act* that would impact your organization. Please be advised that these changes are currently paused until we receive further direction from the Ministry of Health and Long-term Care. In the interim, all provincial regulations related to smoking of tobacco in public spaces which were in place prior to July 1st will remain in effect and you will be notified of any new timelines associated with these or any other changes to the *Smoke-free Ontario Act*, the *Electronic Cigarettes Act*, or any other smoking-related legislation.

As Windsor-Essex County Health Unit Tobacco Enforcement Officers are responsible for enforcement of these regulations, please feel free to contact our office at 519-258-2146 ext. 3100 or email Eric Nadalin, Manager of Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention at enadalin@wechu.org if you have any questions.

Thank you for your understanding.

Best,



Theresa Marentette, Acting CEO