Next Steps for obtaining permission for NP swabbing for COVID-19 testing:

We are currently working with Alberta Health (Government of Alberta) and Alberta Health Services (AHS) to determine training criteria and approval process.

We are also waiting for Alberta Health to allow other healthcare providers, including dental hygienists, to be deployed by medical officers of health for COVID testing, specific to this restricted activity.

Once we have these next steps in place, CRDHA registrants on the General Register, with a valid practice permit, will be able to apply to the College for authorization of Nasopharyngeal Swabbing as an Advanced Restricted Activity. We will communicate this application process as soon as we have more information.

If you have any questions, please contact the College at (780) 465-1756 or administration@crdha.ca.