

COVID-19 UPDATE

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To: All Hospital and Health Research Institute staff and professional staff

From: Dr. Stewart Kennedy, COVID-19 Incident Manager

Date: March 24, 2020

RE: **COVID-19 Screening Update: Emergency Department entrance closed to staff**

Your health and safety is our utmost priority. That is why COVID-19 screening is in place at Hospital entrances. Improvements to the screening process continue to be made as the situation develops.

Effective immediately, staff will no longer be allowed to use the Emergency Department entrance, with the exception of life and limb situations. Staff may still use the Labour and Delivery entrance, or the MRI entrance with the online screening tool. This measure is in place for your safety.

Hospital Entrances as of March 24, 2020 include the following:

1. West main entrance: accessible between 06:00 and 20:00 to all;
2. East cafeteria: accessible between 06:00 and 20:00 to staff, contractors and Forensics in-patients;
3. Emergency Department (ED): accessible 24 hours to ED patients/essential care partners only;
4. Labour and Delivery (L&D): accessible 24 hours to all staff and L&D patients/essential care partners and Laboratory deliveries;
5. MRI Door - accessible between 06:30 - 09:00 and 14:30 - 16:30 for all staff with online screening tool.

Staff who work in one of the Hospital's off-site locations are asked to complete the self-screening prior to entering your building.

For additional information about self-screening, please contact your manager and Occupational Health and Safety at 684-6240.

All Hospital COVID-19 updates are available on the iNtranet at <https://comms.tbrhsc.net/covid-19-information/>.

For more information about COVID-19, please contact the Thunder Bay District Health Unit at 1-888-294-6630 or www.tbdhu.com/coronavirus. More information is also available at <https://files.ontario.ca/moh-coronavirus-info-sheet-english-2020-02-18.pdf>.

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