

COVID-19 DAILY SITUATION REPORT



Thunder Bay Regional
Health Sciences
Centre

Tuesday, April 7, 2020

COVID-19 testing update: As of yesterday (Monday, April 6) 383 tests have been performed at our Assessment Centre and in our Hospital. Currently, our Hospital team is providing care to several presumptive cases.

Planning and preparations are underway to establish a Dedicated COVID-19 Care Unit in case of an influx of COVID-19 infected patients. Our focus is to ensure the most appropriate care environment for COVID-19 infected patients, as well as the safety of staff and professional staff. More information will be issued this week.

To support safe, quality decision-making, COVID-19 test status indicators are viewable within the Meditech electronic medical record (EMR). Please refer to today's memo for more details. Staff are reminded that viewing patient information when not directly involved in the care of that patient is strictly prohibited.

Thank you for helping to preserve Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). Proper management of PPE equipment and supplies is vital to maintain their availability to all staff and professional staff throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. Answering your questions about PPE is a priority. New information resources will be provided today. In addition, a PPE "Frequently Asked Questions" resource will be prepared and made available to all staff and professional staff. To submit your PPE question, please email covid19@tbh.net. Thank you for your cooperation.

Our Hospital is grateful for all offers of donated PPE, as well as other equipment, supplies and resources. If you receive a donation or an offer of a donation, or if you are aware of a contact who may be able to provide a donation, please contact Tanya Niederer at niederet@tbh.net or 252-2111. All offers of and requests for COVID-19 related donations are coordinated to ensure they are appropriately collected, stored, recorded, distributed and acknowledged.

Information about the COVID-19 pandemic continues to come from countless sources at a rapid pace. In order to ensure the health and safety of all staff, professional staff, patients and the community, it is very important for all staff and professional staff to remain informed with current information. When it comes to your role in our Hospital's COVID-19 response, please refer only to directions and decisions issued by our Incident Management Team. Updates will continue to be communicated via memo from Dr. Stewart Kennedy, our Hospital's COVID-19 Incident Manager, or a delegate.

Staff are also strongly encouraged to view the Daily Situation Report videos available at <http://tbrhsc.net/covid-19-information>

Please forward any questions/concerns to your supervisor.

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For questions about COVID-19 testing criteria, please contact the TBDHU's Infectious Disease Program at 807-625-5900 or toll free at 1-888-294-6630.

Local COVID-19 case status: <https://www.tbdhu.com/coronavirus>

Provincial COVID-19 case status: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/2019-novel-coronavirus#section-0>

Canada COVID-19 case status: <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection.html>

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