

COVID-19 DAILY SITUATION REPORT



Thunder Bay Regional
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Many Hospital leaders and staff are tasked with COVID-19 projects and activities. In most cases, these priority tasks are in addition to the regular responsibilities that must continue in order for our Hospital to function. The Incident Management Team gratefully acknowledges the extraordinary dedication and determination put forth for the health and safety of our community. It is due to the efforts of many that our Hospital is well prepared and has effectively implemented its pandemic plan.

Leaders are developing and adapting plans and processes to a continuously evolving situation. As decisions are made over the course of the next few days, more information will be provided regarding Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) use, staff and patient parking, and other activity.

In collaboration with healthy system partners, we will clarify the process to coordinate supplies donated by, or requested of, community members and organizations. More information will be provided. In the interim, any requests for, or offers of, donated supplies must be discussed with your supervisor.

There are three confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the City of Thunder Bay. As of now, that status does not impact testing processes. Medical directives regarding COVID-19 testing may change at any time, and our Hospital will respond accordingly. Decisions will be made soon regarding local testing practices when there is capacity for on-site test result processing. COVID-19 test results are expected to be processed in our lab by mid-April.

The first case of confirmed COVID-19 in our Hospital demonstrated the exceptional - and entirely anticipated - high level of professionalism and preparation of staff and professional staff. Thank you all.

To enhance the protection of everyone in our Hospital, those who can are encouraged to use the stairwells. This leaves elevators more available for those who are pushing carts, stretchers, etc., allows them to better practice physical distancing in their roles, and enhances infection control.

COVID-19 testing update: As of yesterday, Sunday, March 29, 298 tests have been performed at the COVID-19 Assessment Centre and in our Hospital.

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>

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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>

COVID-19 Daily Situation Report videos: <http://tbrhsc.net/covid-19-information>

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

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