## Thursday, May 7, 2020

COVID-19 Status as of 11:00 am

Tests	Tests	Presumptive	Total	Positive	Patients in	Hospital
performed	Performed	Cases in	Positive	Cases in ICU	COVID-19	Occupancy
yesterday	total	Hospital	Cases in		Care Unit	
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Hospital staff and professional staff are engaged in recovery planning. As noted by Dr. David Puskas, specialist Advisor to Recovery Branch, "There is nothing that says that we have to open for business in the same way that we have always provided care. Now is the time to boldly rethink, and possibly retool, each of our practices to maximize efficiency while minimizing our Hospital footprint. Perhaps never, since we moved to our new facility, has there been a bigger appetite for collaborative change. Let's not miss this opportunity." The Recovery Team welcomes input to shape our future state. Please bring any and all ideas to your supervisor, or contact Jessica Logozzo, Recovery Branch Lead at <u>logozzoj@tbh.net</u>.

Our Hospital prioritizes safety for all. To 'treat and return' process was developed and shared to support safe transfers of regional urgent and emergent patients that are confirmed or suspected COVID-19. The process is based in infection control best practices and is intended specifically as a guidance document for staff who are escorting patients from regional hospitals to ours.

The health and safety of patients, staff and the community is our utmost priority. For the enhanced protection of vulnerable patients, COVID-19 testing will be performed for asymptomatic cancer patients prior to starting on immunosuppressive cancer treatment. The testing process will be similar to that established for renal patients.

This is Mental Health Week in Canada. Taking care of your mental health during the COVID-19 pandemic, and always, is a priority. The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in many changes. You might feel like you're no longer in control of things. It is normal to feel sad, stressed, confused, scared or worried. People react in different ways. If you or a loved one would benefit from support services, practical advice, articles and information, please visit the iNtranet at <a href="https://comms.tbrhsc.net/covid-19-information/staff-wellness-resources/">https://comms.tbrhsc.net/covid-19-information/staff-wellness-resources/</a>. There are many other valuable on-line resources, including <a href="https://mentalhealthweek.ca/">https://mentalhealthweek.ca/</a> and </a>

All previously issued COVID-19 Daily Situation Reports are available at <u>https://comms.tbrhsc.net/covid-19-information/past-daily-updates/</u>.

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: <u>https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection.html</u>

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

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

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