

COVID-19 DAILY SITUATION REPORT



Thunder Bay Regional
Health Sciences
Centre

Monday, June 1, 2020

COVID-19 Status as of 11:30 am

Tests performed yesterday (Assessment Centre and in Hospital)	Tests Performed total (Assessment Centre and in Hospital)	Presumptive Cases in Hospital	Total Positive Cases in Hospital	Positive Cases in ICU	Patients in COVID-19 Care Unit	Hospital Occupancy
77	4697	49	2	0	8	79.7%

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, the health and safety of patients, staff, professional staff and the community has been our utmost priority. The Hospital's Incident Management Team is disheartened to report that there is a possible COVID-19 outbreak currently under investigation at our Hospital. This development is upsetting to everyone, and we recognize that it may increase anxiety for some people. We will work through this together.

Please see today's memo regarding the possible outbreak for further details and note the following points of clarification.

1. At this time, the risk of infection to those involved is believed to be very low. This was determined in collaboration with the Thunder Bay District Health Unit and Infection Prevention & Control experts.
2. Essential Care Partners are allowed for patients of the Women & Children's Program.

Note that the number of presumptive cases in our Hospital will continue to climb as more patients are tested with results pending.

On Saturday, the government posted a new emergency order regarding the scope and implementation of pandemic pay. The order now clearly restricts the scope of pandemic pay to be applicable to only the eligible workplaces and employees as defined by the government, which is outlined on its website at <https://www.ontario.ca/page/eligible-workplaces-and-workers-pandemic-pay>. The order requires hospitals to implement pandemic pay only as directed and defined by government and prohibits employers and arbitrators from expanding the application of pandemic pay as defined by government. Further, hospitals are not required to obtain the agreement of any relevant unions to implement pandemic pay and the order prohibits any complaints to the Labour Relations Board regarding this implementation.

Our Hospital leadership recognizes that staff categories outside of those identified to receive pandemic pay have gone above and beyond the call of duty during the pandemic, and maintains that pandemic pay should have been extended to all health care providers. We are disappointed that this is not the case.

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

Please forward any questions/concerns to your supervisor.

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>

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/>