

# COVID-19 DAILY SITUATION REPORT



Thunder Bay Regional  
Health Sciences  
Centre

**Thursday, June 11, 2020**

COVID-19 Status as of 11:40 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
163	7216	19	2	0	5	81.7%

Recovery planning is a priority as areas of the province move into Phase 2 of reopening the economy, and our Hospital continues service resumption. Recent changes have prompted questions regarding the status of some practices, such as Essential Care Partner restrictions and travel outside of Northwestern Ontario. These topics and others are under review by the Incident Management Team. All decisions are carefully considered and informed by evidence. Any changes to current processes will be communicated to all staff and professional staff. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

Please be advised that the online self-screening tool is again operational. Thank you for your patience. Should the online tool fail again, please use the paper version, which is available at <https://comms.tbrhsc.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Staff-Screening-Tool.pdf>

Like staff, all learners at our Hospital must complete required COVID-19 screening. Currently, learners in their final year of their program are allowed on site for clinical placement. As part of our recovery plan, we will be looking at what that means for students in other years of their program. Academic Affairs requests that all managers to track and audit compliance for learners dedicated to their departments or units. Specifically, department managers are asked to oversee screening for Allied Health learners who have been on-boarded by your department. This includes pharmacy, diagnostic imaging and lab. Nurse managers are requested to administer screening for Nursing students and any student designated solely to your department for the duration of their placement, such as Recreation Therapy students. Academic Affairs monitors screening for all Professional Staff learners including Medical, Residents, Physician Assistant and Midwifery students.

**COVID-19 Question: Does a positive COVID-19 test mean a person is contagious?**

**Answer:** People can still test positive beyond the period when research shows they can infect others. Current science indicates that a person infected with COVID-19 is no longer considered infectious 8 days after the onset of symptoms but can still test positive 5 to 6 weeks later.

Our Hospital leadership believes that pandemic pay should be awarded as inclusively as possible, and supports our union leaders and partners to hold an Information Rally on our Hospital's property tomorrow from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Staff are welcome to participate during their scheduled breaks.

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We ask that those participating in the Rally keep themselves safe and others safe by following pandemic safety protocols. Please refer to the Daily iNformed for details.

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.

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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>

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/>