

# COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT

**Thursday, August 6, 2020**

COVID-19 Status as of 10:30 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	Hospital Occupancy
212	15,821	7	0	0	94%

Our Hospital currently has no admitted positive COVID-19 cases.

Members of the Senior Leadership Council (SLC) recently conducted “Walk-Abouts” to engage staff in conversations regarding our Hospital’s COVID-19 response. Thank you to all participating staff for your honesty and openness, which resulted in many important learnings. Several topics were discussed, and some issues have already been addressed. In addition, themes were identified for further action, including:

- Changes were made and implemented quickly and often without notice. SLC will identify ways to better prepare staff for changes to come.
- There is now awareness of the impact of decisions regarding activity/services that were canceled or paused in response to the pandemic (e.g. recreation activities for patients in Adult Mental Health). In preparation for a possible 2<sup>nd</sup> wave, activities will be reviewed to determine options to maintain safe operations.
- More clarity is needed swabbing regarding criteria and processes. A comprehensive tool is in development to provide criteria, guidelines and directions for implementing all tests taking place at our Hospital.
- There was limited consultation and engagement with staff working at locations other than the Hospital. Processes will be reviewed to ensure consideration and inclusion.
- The decision-making process regarding staff redeployment were unclear. A team is reviewing and revising the process to support seamless redeployment.

Your observations and input are valued and guide improvements. If you would like to share feedback to improve our pandemic response now or in the future, please contact your supervisor or any member of the Senior Leadership Council.

Thank you for your efforts to practice physical distancing. It is recognized that the requirements present challenges in terms of spaces and places for staff to enjoy breaks. In an effort to ensure that seating is available, Cafeteria seating continues to be for staff use only, until further notice.

Beginning August 10, our Hospital will assume the assessment and appointment scheduling duties from the Thunder Bay District Health Unit (TBDHU) and will be the main contact for

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booking COVID-19 testing appointments in the community. Taking on the appointment scheduling duties streamlines the process and supports our partners at the TBDHU so that they can focus on helping the community transition safely into the next phase of reopening. Communication to the public will take place, in collaboration with TBDHU.

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/>