

COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT



December 2, 2020

COVID-19 Status as of 9:45 am:

Presumptive Cases in Hospital	Total Positive Cases in Hospital	Positive Cases in ICU	Hospital Occupancy
6	4	1	88.6%

All efforts to reduce the spread of COVID-19 are intended to prevent hospitals and intensive care units from facing an influx of too many patients with COVID-19 all at once. They are also meant to protect our most valuable resource – the health care workers who are integral to providing patient care. It is disheartening to share that a staff member of our Intensive Care Unit (ICU) did contract the COVID-19 virus while caring for a positive patient. Our thoughts are with our colleague, who is self-isolating.

At this time, this does not represent an outbreak because it is limited to one hospital-acquired infection. There is also no planned disruption or cancellation of Hospital services at this time. Please continue to follow all Hospital-specific protocols in place to reduce the risk of infection.

Beginning today, all staff and professional staff must wear Level 2 or HIGHER procedure masks in all areas of our Hospital. Cloth mask are no longer permitted for use by our staff while at work. The only exception is spaces in which you are able to consistently maintain 2 meters of physical distance. The expectation is that you wear your Level 2 (or higher) procedure mask while working and when leaving the Hospital until you get to your vehicle or until you are able to safely remove or exchange it while maintaining 2 meters of physical distance. Between shifts, store your mask properly and then wear it back to the work site for your next shift. At that point, you can access a new procedure mask for the day as per your departmental procedures.

Thank you for your patience as we work on distributing masks to all new, non-clinical areas that were not already receiving a supply of masks. Today's unscheduled downtime of Virtuo MIS is resulting in unexpected delays to mask distribution. For questions about how your department will be receiving masks, please contact your manager or Jennifer Svane at svanej@tbh.net.

As our Hospital continues to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, ensuring staff are able to work safely and effectively continues to be a priority. After Hours Leadership coverage supports staff to receive up-to-date information and to access leadership guidance as needed. The current model ensures that there is a Leader available to provide daily COVID-19 coverage until 8:00pm, seven days a week and can support staff in a number of ways. More details were provided via memo.

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This pandemic is a stressful time for all, especially to anyone personally impacted by COVID-19 exposure. We are committed to doing our part to keep you safe and healthy. If you need support, please access the Health and Wellness resources available on the Intranet.

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

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/>