

HOSPITAL ACTIVITY UPDATE



Thunder Bay Regional
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COVID-19 Status as of 8:40 am:

Presumptive Cases in Hospital	Total Positive Cases in Hospital	Positive Cases in ICU	Hospital Occupancy	Active COVID-19 cases in the TBDHU district	Our Hospital's Internal Response Level
7	19	7	94.6%	273	Control

Plans are being enacted to ensure our hospital has capacity, should there be an influx of COVID-19 patients as is anticipated. One initiative is the expansion by six beds of the PCI Recovery unit on 2C (290) as needed to create space in other areas. For example, these beds may be used to recover patients from the cardiac catheterization lab or the Intensive Care Unit, as appropriate. Information regarding other initiatives will be shared once details are confirmed.

To support information sharing and collective brainstorming regarding patient flow, virtual bedrounds for clinical leaders will be reinstated in the coming days.

While some of the activity underway now is similar to that in wave one of the pandemic, the situation regarding Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and pharmaceuticals is quite different. Supplies are ample, and established processes are in place for the safety of all.

Vaccinations of staff and professional staff continue. A delivery of vaccine arrived as expected today. Scheduling of the High Priority group is underway. Provided vaccine supplies continue to be received as anticipated and there are no changes in direction from the Ministry or Public Health, vaccinations for hospital Health Care Workers will continue over the next few weeks.

Many thanks to those working as part of our COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic and responding with patience and proficiency to the high volumes of calls and activity. A provincial booking system will be available in the near future. In the meantime, we are working with our vendor to implement online booking. The current system ensures scheduling takes place as these are developed.

The current COVID-19 situation in our community may understandably be a source of unease for some. Your well-being is imperative. If you are interested in accessing health and wellness supports, please visit <https://comms.tbrhsc.net/covid-19-information/staff-wellness-resources/>.