

# HOSPITAL ACTIVITY UPDATE



**July 28, 2021**

COVID-19 Status as of 10:00 am:

Presumptive Cases in Hospital	Total Positive Cases in Hospital	Positive Cases in ICU	Active COVID-19 cases in the TBDHU district	Our Hospital's Internal Pandemic Response Level
9	0	0	4	<b>Green (Recover and Prevent)</b>

A small percentage of staff who have already received their first COVID-19 vaccine have not yet received a second dose. Our Hospital strongly encourages all who are eligible to receive their second dose do so as soon as possible: 21 days following your first dose for Pfizer and 28 days for Moderna. Although the Hospital's Bora Laskin COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic is now closed, all may conveniently reschedule an earlier appointment through the provincial booking system for the Thunder Bay District Health Unit's (TBDHU) COVID-19 vaccination clinics, or at a local pharmacy. For more information about vaccine options, please visit <https://www.tbdhu.com/covidclinics>. Once you have received your vaccine, please ensure to forward a copy of your vaccination receipt to Occupational Health and Safety at [ohs@tbh.net](mailto:ohs@tbh.net). Thank you to all those who have already received both doses of the vaccine in order to help protect yourself and others from the spread of COVID-19. Your commitment to health and safety is much appreciated.

Our Hospital's COVID-19 Assessment Centre and Call Centre have played a vital role in protecting the health and safety of our staff, professional staff, patients and community members. As the pandemic evolves with few to no cases locally, along with the increase in fully vaccinated individuals, swabbing needs are decreasing significantly. As such, the COVID-19 Call Centre will be closed effective August 1st, at which time call taking duties will be assumed at the Assessment Centre.

The Assessment Centre will also decrease hours, effective August 16th, to the following: Monday to Friday (0800-1600), Saturday (1000-1400) and Sunday (Closed). The health and safety of all remains our top priority. In the event that cases of COVID-19 in the community rise again, the Assessment Centre will respond accordingly. Thank you to all staff, professional staff and community partners who contributed to the successful operations of both the Call Centre and the Assessment Centre over the past many months. Your commitment, dedication, and flexibility have not gone unnoticed.

Our Hospital is fortunate to have hundreds of volunteers who work tirelessly every day to support and enhance patient and family centred care. Like most hospitals in Ontario, we made the difficult decision to limit most or all volunteer activity during the COVID-19 pandemic. The absence of volunteers has had a huge impact on the patient and visitor experience as well as impacts on the functioning of various departments, services, and programs that have come to rely on volunteer involvement. With our Hospital now operating in Response Level Green (Recover and Prevent), we are thrilled to welcome them all back to their very important positions within our Hospital. Please join us in thanking all of the volunteers who help make a difference for patients and families.

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While all our volunteers are valued and appreciated for the important work they do, we are pleased to recognize one volunteer in particular for her recent accomplishment. An award ceremony was held on Friday, July 23rd to present Mona Hardy, a dedicated, kind, generous and long-serving volunteer at our Hospital with the Sovereign's Medal for Volunteers (SMV). The SMV is a prestigious national award and the highest honour for volunteer service that an individual can receive within the Canadian Honours System. Read more: <https://bit.ly/Mona-Hardy-SMV-Award>.

All Hospital COVID-19 updates and resources are available on the iNtranet at <https://comms.tbrhsc.net/covid-19-information/>.

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