

COVID-19 UPDATE

Keeping You Safe



To: All Staff, Professional Staff, Learners and Volunteers

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RE: Updated COVID-19 Testing and Isolation Guidance for Inpatients

In response to the increase in cases of COVID-19 in our community and across the province, guidance for when to test and when to isolate inpatients for COVID-19 has been updated. Please see the attached '*When to Test and When to Isolate Inpatients for COVID-19 Guidance Document*' or follow the link below for the most recent criteria:

<https://comms.tbrhsc.net/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Guidance-Document-IPAC-Flowsheet-When-to-Test-and-When-to-Isolate-for-COVID-19-January-14-2022.pdf>

Effectively immediately, all new admissions are required to be tested for COVID-19.

Professional and nursing staff are encouraged to independently utilize this guidance to test and isolate patients. Infection Prevention and Control (IPAC) will continue to review inpatients and is a resource for any related questions.

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