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Nunavut's Chief Public Health Officer Dr. Michael Patterson, today released the following statement:

“After two weeks without new active cases of COVID-19 in Arviat and Whale Cove, I am announcing that public health measures can be eased in both communities. As of tomorrow, travel restrictions will be lifted, though non-essential travel is still not recommended.

As well, government offices, most private business and schools may reopen. Indoor gatherings limits will increase to 10 people in addition to household members and outdoor gathering limits will increase to 50 people. While this is good news, I want to remind everyone that it will take until the end of January to declare the outbreaks over. For everyone's health and safety, it is important we continue to follow the public health measures in place. I encourage Nunavummiut to go to www.gov.nu.ca for full details.

I am also excited to remind Nunavummiut that community vaccination clinics take place today in Igloolik and Gjoa Haven and start in Arviat and Cambridge Bay on January 14. I encourage all eligible Nunavummiut 18 or older to get vaccinated. It is the best protection available against COVID-19.”

For more details on the current public health orders visit:

<https://www.gov.nu.ca/health/information/nunavuts-path>

For more details on Nunavut's Vaccine campaign, visit:

<https://www.gov.nu.ca/health/information/covid-19-vaccination>

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