

COVID-19 GN Update

June 25, 2020

Premier's Update:

Good morning. There are still no confirmed or probable cases of COVID-19 in Nunavut.

The total number of people under investigation to date is 1,358. 121 people are currently under investigation.

Nunavut's public health emergency is extended for another two weeks, until July 9.

Starting June 29, we will have these updates on COVID-19 once a week, every Monday at 11 a.m.

You have all done an amazing job listening to Dr. Patterson's public health advice, staying well and keeping our communities safe.

We're still at zero cases, which means our measures are working. Now is the time to stay on track – stay vigilant and aware, and keep up all your efforts.

Let's make this summer memorable and safe.

As part of the Government of Nunavut's (GN) effort to protect Nunavummiut against the risk of COVID-19, GN Departments are implementing the following:

Department of Health Services

Calling Ahead at Health Centres

Unless you are experiencing a medical emergency, please call your health centre first before going in. Describe your symptoms, and health care providers can conduct a telephone assessment and may schedule in-person appointments for appropriate care.

For the latest COVID-19 information and GN Departments updates in all languages: https://www.gov.nu.ca/health/information/covid-19-novel-coronavirus; https://www.gov.nu.ca/health/information/covid-19-novel-coronavirus; <a href="https://www.gov.nu.ca/health-covid-19-novel-covid-19-



Wearing Masks at Health Centres

If you are presenting at a health centre with respiratory symptoms like coughing, sneezing, or a runny nose, please wear a mask. If you do not have a mask, please tell whoever receives you at the health centre of your symptoms, and they can provide you with one.

New Email for Travellers

A new email address has been established for Nunavummiut planning travel outside of the territory. All travellers must submit an Isolation Reservation Request Form to <u>NUisolationreservations@nunavutcare.ca</u> as soon as travel plans are known to ensure that the travel team can identify room availability and reserve stays in a designated isolation facility. More information can be found on the Department of Health website.

Isolation sites concern inbox

A new email address has been established to better address concerns and comments from clients completing 14-day isolation in the Isolation Sites in Southern Canada. The new email will take pressure off the COVID toll free line, patient relations and the CPHOtravelrequests inbox. The new email address is <u>isolationrelations@gov.nu.ca</u>.

Volumes

Total (All Isolation Locations)			
Traveler Type	Guests in Isolation as of June 24		
Medical Travel	286		
Public	177		
Students	0		
Total	463		

Traveller repatriation summary:

Departure Date	# of Travellers from Isolation Sites
June 25	31
June 26	20
June 27	7
June 28	13
June 29	67

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Critical Worker Requests

As of June 24, there are 1,821 requests, 1,333 of which are critical worker requests.

Request Status	#	%
Approved (includes critical and non-critical)		86.9%
Denied	194	10.7%
Pending	2	0.1%
Common Travel Area Approved		2.2%
Total	1821	100%

Department of Community and Government Services

Requests to enter the territory for construction related projects or to travel within the territory for construction related projects can be emailed to <u>CPHOconstructionrequests@gov.nu.ca</u>

Construction workers who completed isolation as of June 24, 2020				
Departure Date	Number	Destination		
23-Jun-20	6	Rankin Inlet		
23-Jun-20	4	Sanikiluaq		
23-Jun-20	2	Gjoa Haven		
23-Jun-20	4	Cambridge Bay		
24-Jun-20	1	Iqaluit		
24-Jun-20	1	Arctic Bay		
24-Jun-20	2	Kugaaruk		
24-Jun-20	15	Iqaluit		
24-Jun-20	2	Resolute Bay		
24-Jun-20	1	Chesterfield Inlet		

Construction workers who completed isolation to date: 345

GN office buildings in all communities remain closed to the public at this time. If a member of the public needs to meet with GN staff, alternate arrangements need to be made. Please call ahead of time and make an appointment.

Nunavummiut's health is our shared responsibility! Remember: wash your hands and surfaces, practice social distancing, listen to the advice of health officials, and stay home if you're sick.

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