

# COVID-19 DAILY SITUATION REPORT



Thunder Bay Regional  
Health Sciences  
Centre

**Monday, May 11, 2020**

COVID-19 Status as of 11:50 am

Tests performed yesterday (Assessment Centre and in Hospital)	Tests Performed total (Assessment Centre and in Hospital)	Presumptive Cases in Hospital	Total Positive Cases in Hospital	Positive Cases in ICU	Patients in COVID-19 Care Unit	Hospital Occupancy
48	2795	14	1	0	4	73.1%

Today, the Canadian Forces Snowbirds bring their “Operation Inspiration” to Thunder Bay. The flyover is a salute Canadians doing their part to fight the spread of COVID-19, including our dedicated staff and professional staff. If you have a chance to step outside or be near a window today at approximately 1:45 pm, you will see the Snowbirds’ signature nine-jet formation. This demonstration reinforces the gratitude Canadians feel for frontline workers. Thank you for all you do.

Each year, the celebration of Nursing Week draws attention to nurses, increasing the awareness of the many contributions of nursing to the well-being of patients and families. During the week of May 11-17, Nursing Week will be celebrated at our Hospital to recognize the vital contributions nurses make to the delivery of quality patient care in Thunder Bay and across Northwestern Ontario. Nurses are vital to our Hospital’s front line response to the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition to their direct patient care roles, many have taken on additional duties and responsibilities to help protect the health and safety of the community. Nurses are screening staff and patients at Hospital entrances, leading the testing at our Hospital’s COVID-19 Assessment Centre, and learning new skills and techniques to safely work on the dedicated COVID-19 Care Unit. This week, we encourage the community to join us in celebrating the important work that nurses do on the frontlines in hospitals, long-term care, public health and many different organizations, keeping people healthy and caring for them when they are ill.

With the Victoria Day long weekend approaching, staff and professional staff are reminded that travel restrictions remain in place. This may be frustrating for many, and we understand. It’s because of measures like this that Northwestern Ontario has successfully flattened the COVID-19 curve. Your ongoing commitment protects the health and safety of all patients, staff, professional staff, and the community. If you travel anywhere outside of Northwestern Ontario, you must self-isolate for a period of 14 days upon return. Staff who choose to travel outside of Northwestern Ontario as of March 30, 2020 will not be compensated by the Hospital for the isolation period. Travel restrictions will be reviewed and may be adjusted as the provincial government updates policies. Our ability to ease travel restrictions is also depended on our capacity for in-house swab testing for COVID-19, which is currently lower than some other areas of Ontario. If you have questions regarding travel restrictions, please contact your manager, and Occupational Health and Safety at 684-6212 or [ohs@tbh.net](mailto:ohs@tbh.net).

Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre is a leader in Patient and Family Centred Care and a research and teaching hospital proudly affiliated with **Lakehead University, the Northern Ontario School of Medicine and Confederation College**.

Le Centre régional des sciences de la santé de Thunder Bay, un hôpital d’enseignement et de recherche, est reconnu comme un leader dans la prestation de soins et de services aux patients et aux familles et est fier de son affiliation à **l’université Lakehead, à l’École de médecine du Nord de l’Ontario et au collège Confédération**.

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In recent weeks, members of the Lakehead University community have demonstrated support for health care providers in Thunder Bay through PPE collections, the manufacturing of PPE parts, and related research. Lakehead University and our Hospital recently signed an agreement to provide temporary accommodations for hospital staff who need such accommodations outside of their family home. Those who would like to be considered for offsite accommodation must contact Occupational Health & Safety. If temporary space is required, Hospital staff would only be able to use the University apartment building units that are completely separated from other campus living spaces. This arrangement will not apply to hospital staff if they have been diagnosed with COVID-19, or are deemed highly presumptive as a result of work-related exposure. The University extends gratitude and appreciation for everything frontline health care workers are doing to manage this pandemic.

Today is the final day for staff and professional staff to participate in a survey regarding the impact of and the response to the Hospital's COVID-19. Please take five minutes to complete the survey at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/6QM3DMQ](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6QM3DMQ). Responses will shape how our Hospital supports staff and professional staff immediately and in the future.

Results of COVID-19 swabs performed in the community inform appropriate infection control measures at our Hospital. Some clerks with admitting functions will receive training and access to the data, which will be applied when people are admitted to our Hospital.

All previously issued COVID-19 Daily Situation Reports are available at <https://comms.tbrhsc.net/covid-19-information/past-daily-updates/>.

Please forward any questions/concerns to your supervisor.

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For questions about COVID-19 testing criteria, please contact the TBDHU's Infectious Disease Program at 807-625-5900 or toll free at 1-888-294-6630.

Local COVID-19 case status: <https://www.tbdhu.com/coronavirus>

Provincial COVID-19 case status: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/2019-novel-coronavirus#section-0>

Canada COVID-19 case status: <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection.html>

COVID-19 Daily Situation Report videos: <http://tbrhsc.net/covid-19-information>

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