Social and cultural impacts of COVID-19 and public health policies and services for Indigenous populations

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Introduction

- Evaluate the implications of past and existing responses to pandemics in collaboration with Indigenous communities across Canada and to address any gaps in understanding and support relating to COVID-19 and future pandemics
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Source: Indigenous Services Canada

First Nations Report Manitoba First Nations



COVID-19 Pandemic Response Coordination Team

Assembly of Manitoba First Nations Health Keewatinohi Manitoba Chiefs Keewatinowi and Social Secretariat Inniniw Okimakinak of Manitoba Minoayawin

Date: January 18, 2021 * this report covers four days since our last report on Friday January 15, 2021

This summary report is intended to provide daily high-level analysis of COVID-19 testing and disease in First Nations people living in Manitoba.

	New Cases	Active Cases	Recovered Cases	Current Hospitalizations	ICU Patients	Total Deaths	Daily Tests
On Reserve	165	1818	1175	25	6	43	208
Off Reserve	135	455	3729	35	7	81	81
Total FN	300	2273	4904	60	13	124	289

The median age of death:

Total FN cases overall:

On Reserve- 3036

Off Reserve- 4265

Manitoba population

New Cases- 62%

Active Cases- 73%

ICU Patients - 57%

• Total Deaths- 16%

· Daily Tests- 22%

Total Tests- 14%

Recovered Cases- 21%Total Cases-26%

• Total FN-7301

• Total overall MB population-83

Percentage (%) FN Total of overall

Current Hospitalizations- 44%

FN-66

5 new deaths:

- Female in her 90s from Northern Regional Health Authority
- Male in his 60s from Winnipeg
- Male in his 70s from Northern Regional Health Authority
- Male in his 70s from Winnipeg
- Male in his 80s from Winnipeg

The 5 day test positivity rate:

- On Reserve- 25%
- Off Reserve- 17%
- Total FN- 23%
- Total overall MB population 10%

Winnipeg District:

- Active cases- 178
- Overall Cases- 2227
- Total Recovered-1991

For the purposes of this report, First Nations people are identified through a variety of mechanisms. This is because not any one method generates a complete list of the First Nations population in Manitoba. The mechanisms used are:

PHINs of cases and tested individuals are matched up to Status First Nations in the Indian Status Registry - ISR. This list is current as of October 2017 only

Self-report in the course of the COVID case investigation.

Manual review of familial linkages identified in the course of COVID case investigations. Linkages are made by reported relationships, shared last names or addresses, and
only counts horizontal-sibling - or downward - offspring - linkages.

Source: Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs, 2021

SOCIAL IMPACTS

First Nation COVID-19 Countermeasures

- Social Distancing
- No Outsiders Allowed!!
- Road Blocks
- Check Points
- Suspending Non-Essential Services through First Nation/Treaty Territory
- Traditional medicines
- Going back to the land







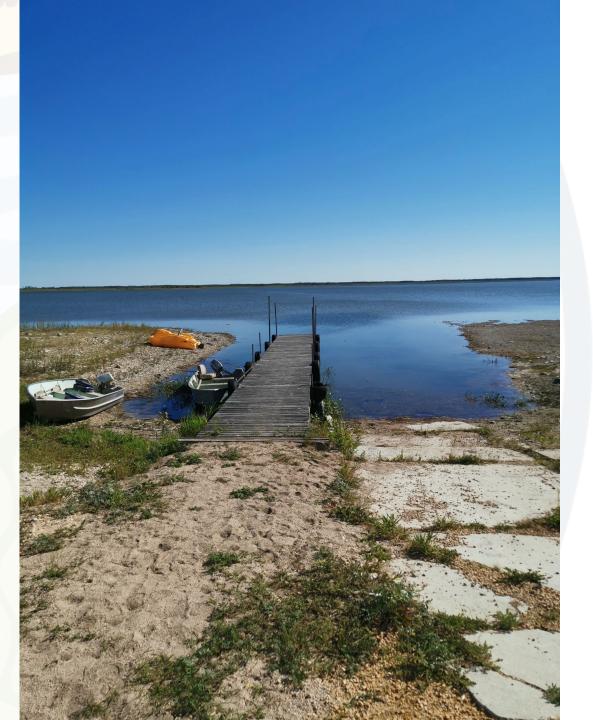












COMMUNICATION



Spread Some Lateral Kindness

Being affected by COVID-19 is nothing to be ashamed of. By practicing lateral kindness, we can create an environment that enables us to draw strength from our community, identity, spirituality and cultural practices.

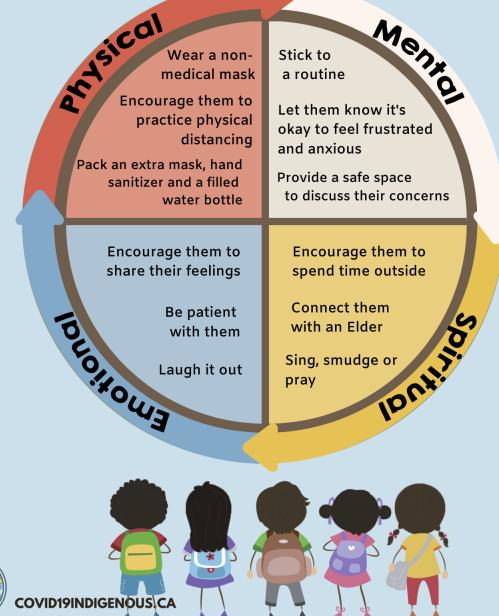
Spread some lateral kindness by:

- Picking up groceries or prescriptions for people isolating
- Connecting over the phone video chat, or social media with family and friends
- Show empathy to those affected, and ask them how you can support them
- Use positive words or actions, both on social media and in person
- Treat and care for those who test positive the way you would wish to be treated if you tested positive



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Covid Back-to-School Basics





KAHKAKIW'S CREE WORD OF THE WEEK

âhkosiwin

🌔 Ah - go - se - wen

âhkosiwin means illness; it can also be used as a general reference to disease.

âhkosiwin is the word used to describe an illness/pandemic like the novel coronavirus [SARS-CoV-2]. âhkosiwin could also be used to describe other pandemics including Smallpox, the Spanish flu or even H1N1.



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Kahkakiw's Straight Talk on Coronavirus

 Kahkakiw the Raven from Northern Manitoba reminds you that when you hear a raven's call, you should wash your hands! Delivered in Cree with subtitles, puppeteer Samson Hunter reinterprets Health Canada advice on the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) for an Indigenous audience. His name is pronounced Ka-Ka-Cue. b"bP° Kahkakiw's Straight Talk

Social Ostancing

Coronavirus (COVID-19)

App Store Preview



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We invite presentations, workshops, panel discussions, creative works, music, ceremony, posters, papers, posters and ideas for networking that reflect the impacts of COVID-19 but also the many diverse acts of community resilience, strength, and sovereignty

IMPORTANT DATES:

Deadline for Proposals: March 15th Notification of Acceptance: April 1st Conference Date: May 20th- 22nd

CONTACT

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Covid19Indigenous.ca/international-gathering

Kitatipithitamak Mithwayawin is an Indigenous-led research partnership based in Canada that aims to support and celebrate communities as they respond to COVID-19 and other pandemics

Advocacy • Celebration • Ceremony and Wellbeing • Colonialism & Health • Data sovereignty • Diversity • Grieving • Health Sovereignty

Credits

- Infographics by Emily Unger (2020)
- Photos: M. Ballard (2019, 2020)
- Statistics: Assembly of Mantioba Chiefs (2021)
- Map of Canada, Indigenous Services Canada (2020)

Miigwetch! Ekosi! Thank you!