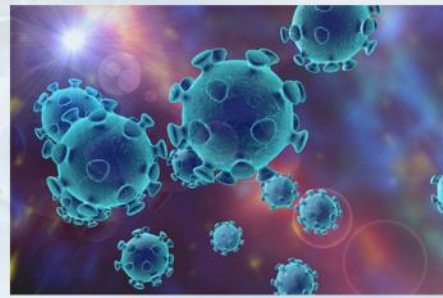


COVID-19 Update

Employee and Physician Information



Update from CEO and Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) April 12, 2021

General update

- There were no new individuals in the province who were positive for COVID-19 today. Please see pandemic hub for up to date information [here](#).
- One of the individuals who was confirmed to be positive on Saturday is a Western Health staff member. All staff members who are considered close contacts have been informed, are isolating and testing has been arranged. As a result of contact tracing, there are currently 15 staff who are self-isolating.
- The Government of Newfoundland and Labrador released a graphic COVID-19 Immunization timeline to help people in the province understand when they can expect to be vaccinated (see graphic [here](#)).

Operations Update

- Yesterday Western Health encouraged residents in Corner Brook and on the North Shore, Bay of Islands to access COVID-19 testing whether or not they were symptomatic due to recent cases in the Western region. This testing is part of the public health investigation. The purpose of these clinics is to get a snapshot of possible transmission within the community. If there is a presumptive positive result through rapid testing, the individual will be immediately informed.
- Appointments for the broad community testing in the Corner Brook and Meadows clinics are now fully booked due to a very positive response from the community. Public Health is no longer advising individuals without symptoms to book an appointment for testing. We continue to assess the current situation and will expand testing if deemed necessary. Anyone who is deemed to be a close contact of a positive case will be contacted by public health to arrange a COVID-19 test.

Human Resources Update

- Employee Health is on call until 8 p.m. this evening to answer any questions you may have and can be reached at 784-5392.
- Pandemic fatigue is a very real feeling of exhaustion stemming from the effects of the COVID-19 on your life. Learn what you can do to feel better while staying safe (see [here](#)).
- Managing work, supporting children, and taking care of yourself may seem like a lot to balance. Join us for the upcoming [Taking Care of You – April 15th @ 11am webinar](#) to learn tips to support yourself and your children (click the link above to register).

- Please reach out for support if you need it. The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) can be reached at 1-866-784-5306.

Please see our [COVID-19 Intranet page](#) for more information