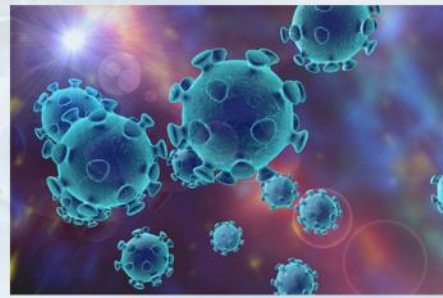


COVID-19 Update

Employee and Physician Information



Update from CEO and Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) June 10, 2021

General update

- There were 5 new people diagnosed with COVID-19 in the province today:
 - 3 in the Western region (contacts of previous cases)
 - 1 in the Central Health region
 - 1 in the Eastern Health
 - There are now 35 people confirmed to be positive and 1 presumptive positive in the Western Health region associated with the St. George's-Stephenville-Port au Port investigations (see update [here](#)).
 - Please see pandemic hub for up to date information [here](#).
- Yesterday Western Health announced that a temporary drive-up testing site in Piccadilly would open today as part of a public health investigation in the Piccadilly area.
- On Tuesday, we advised that more than 2,000 COVID-19 tests were completed in the St. George's-Stephenville-Port au Port area.
 - In the Stephenville area investigation, all people who have been recently identified as positive have been the contact of a case; however, the initial source remains under investigation. Public Health has not seen widespread transmission in the community.
 - In the St. George's area, all people who have been recently identified as positive have been the contact of a case; however, the initial source remains under investigation. Public Health has not seen widespread transmission in the community. Read more [here](#).
 - There are no communities in our region considered to have widespread community transmission at present.
- The Chief Medical Officer of Health announced yesterday, based on NACI recommendations, that individuals are able to select a different mRNA vaccine (ie. Pfizer or Moderna) for their second dose if the type of vaccine they had for their first dose is not available. Staff and physicians who had Moderna as their first dose can choose Pfizer if Moderna is not available or vice versa. The interval between first and second doses is a minimum of 8 weeks.

Operations Update

- While the Stephenville area remains in Alert level 4, and investigations into two clusters continues, the area is not currently considered to have widespread community transmission. Patients and clients from the list of communities in the Stephenville area will no longer screen positive to the question on the screening tool which states, "Do you

live in, or have you stayed in any area with identified widespread community transmission within the last 14 days?" Read more [here](#).

Human Resources Update

- Staff and physicians who are required to isolate for any reason and cannot report to work must call Employee Health at 1-833-710-0408. After talking to Employee Health, notify your manager that you are in isolating and cannot report to work.
- June is [Canadian Men's Health Month](#). We asked men in Newfoundland and Labrador what they do to move for their mental health and how they would support a friend. Check out this [video](#) to hear what they said. If you're concerned about your or a loved one's mental health or substance use, take a screening at [CheckItOutNL.ca](#) and find supports for yourself or the men in your life.
- Call the Employee Assistance Program at 1-866-784-5306 to reach out for support.
- Please feel free to call the Toll Free COVID-19 Navigation Staff Line (1-833-920-0096) or email COVID19@westernhealth.nl.ca with your questions or inquiries.

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