CD Unit COVID-19 Weekly Teleconference Notes

June 30th, 2020 10:00 EST / 09:00 CST

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COVID-19 in Ontario

- Emergency orders are renewed to at least 10 July 2020
- As of Thursday 25 June all of Ontario, with the exception of the Municipality of Leamington and the Town of Kingsville, has moved to <u>Stage 2</u>

Public health measures like physical distancing, hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette remain very important

- You are encouraged to avoid crowds and close contact as much as possible
 - o Stay home except for essential errands and outdoor exercise
 - o Stay 2 metres from other people when you must go out
 - Opening your '<u>social circle</u>' to up to 10 people may now be considered these are people you can have close contact with
 - Wear a <u>face covering</u> (non-medical mask) when running essential errands where you'll be indoors
 - Stay home and self-isolate if you are sick, feel unwell, or have symptoms that could be COVID-19
- Even though the province has started to reopen we must be cautious, and it is important to reinforce the public health measure that help us control the pandemic

Ministry Guidance Documents

Please check the Ministry website regularly for the most up-to-date documents

- COVID-19 Guidance: Summer Day Camps V2.0 (28 June 2020)
 - Addition of information for campers with special needs and information on requirements to report probable and confirmed cases of COVID-19
 - Revision of guidance for exposure to animals, screening, management, and testing for COVID-19
- COVID-19 <u>Quick Reference</u> Public Health Guidance on Testing and Clearing Cases V8.0 (25 June 2020)
 - Provides more information on clearance of asymptomatic cases and work selfisolation in non-health care settings
- Case and Contact Management Resources
 - Includes seven updated and new appendices for case and contact management to support the updated version of the Management of Cases and Contacts of COVID-19 in Ontario V8.0 (23 June 2020) document
 - Work Place document (appendix 8) removed from website

Please note both the <u>province's</u> and the <u>ministry's</u> websites are regularly updated, and include information on the status of COVID-19 in Ontario and guidance documents

- Public Health Ontario (PHO) also provides up-to-date information and information summaries.
- For lab information that is up-to-date please visit the PHO lab (PHOL) website

The <u>Onehealth</u> website is also updated regularly

COVID-19 FNIHB-OR Epi report

- As of June 29th, 2020, we have 58 confirmed cases. Of those cases, 52 or 90% have resolved. We currently
 have 4 active cases in three communities.
- Since the beginning of the pandemic, there have been 2 deaths.
- In total, 2,988 tests have been reported to FNIHB-OR. 828 tests (28%) are pending and 2,102 tests (70%) are negative.
- A grand total of 4,658 tests (including 952 tests from SLFNHA and 718 tests from WAHA).

FNIHB CD Unit Activities

- Process for Ordering PPE from the Provincial or National Stockpiles: Accessing the Provincial PPE Stockpile
 - Communities are encouraged to continue to order their PPE supplies through their normal processes and vendors, and to seek alternate vendors/sources for supplies as needed.
 - Some alternate vendors/sources are listed on the Provincial sites
 - If vendors are unable to fill orders, or orders are on back order, communities are to submit a request to the **Provincial Stockpile** (this step is new)
 - The Provincial Stockpile can be accessed by communities through their Local Health Integration Network (LHIN)
 - To determine a community's LHIN, go to http://www.lhins.on.ca/ and enter the area postal code. This will identify the area and weblink to the LHIN for the community
 - Communities will need to submit a request using the form specific to their LHIN available on the LHIN site
 - FNIHB CHNs/staff should contact Kathleen Roberts (kathleen.roberts2@canada.ca) for most up to date information related to PPE requests
 - When requests from the Provincial PPE Stockpile are unable to be filled, communities are encouraged to submit their requests to the National ISC Stockpile as per past practice
 - Completed request form are emailed to <u>sac.covid-19fnihbontario.isc@canada.ca</u> or faxed to 1-807-343-5348
 - o Further follow up communication of this new process will be shared with communities
 - ISC PPE requests are still followed up with the COVID-19 Response Team, with the CD Team having little involvement in the process
- COVID-19 Recommended Public Health Follow Up for CHNs
 - o A resource shared in May to help with public health follow up of COVID-19 cases and contacts
 - Will be updated to reflect recent changes in the provincial documents for case and contact management and testing and clearance
 - o CHNs encouraged to contact their CD nurse regarding case and contact management questions

Contact

- General inquiry email/phone set up for community leadership
 - o COVID19 General Inquiry Email: sac.covid-19fnihbontario.isc@canada.ca

Next teleconference: Tuesday July 7th at 10:00 EST / 09:00 CST

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