



# Pic Mobert First Nation

## **UPDATE ON COVID COVID-19 CONDITIONS – January 15, 2021**

This will provide out citizens an update on current COVID-19 conditions as of January 15, 2021

### **Ontario has been placed in a “Stay at Home” order effective January 14<sup>th</sup> to February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

The COVID-19 group continues to meet weekly or more based on the needs or in the event of a changing situation. As was the case with the new “Stay-at-Home order” from the province in effect from January 14<sup>th</sup> to February 11<sup>th</sup>. The province has declared a state of emergency as well as ordered everyone to please remain home and only to leave for essential purposes such as medical reason, groceries, pharmacies, or exercise. We are following the provincial guidelines as such we encourage all our residents to follow the Stay-at-Home order and to please keep yourselves safe.

As for band operations, we continue to operate essential services within the community. Essential workers continue to enter to the community so that essential services can continue. All who enter are subject to screening and temperature check at the gate.

The school and daycare will remain open with the protocols put in place to keep the children safe, we can be responsive to any situation that may be occurring in the surrounding communities. We continue to monitor the local situation. Highschool students will continue with virtual learning at home through out the duration of the Stay-at-Home order.

We also continue to plan on the COVID-19 vaccine rollout. We would like to be ready for when we receive the vaccine. We are planning some work on the community hall and meeting with the Dilico health team, who will be responsible for administering the vaccine in the community. From our understanding remote fly-in communities in the north have been identified as the first indigenous communities to get it and now we know some of those communities have received the vaccine and it is being administered in those communities. We are working with our regional partners to hear when we may be getting the vaccines. At present, we do not have a definitive date, but we are hopeful that we will receive the vaccine sooner rather than later.

Right now, we have questionnaire that is available on Facebook as well as being delivered house to house. If you fill it out and return it to the health center, you will be entered into a draw for a \$50 gift certificate. We really want to hear from all of you. If you need a hard copy please contact the health centre.

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Pandemic Team

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