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UPDATE ON COVID COVID-19 CONDITIONS – February 24, 2021

This will provide our citizens an update on current COVID-19 conditions as of February 24, 2021

The COVID-19 group continues to meet weekly or more based on the needs or in the event of a changing situation. We are currently awaiting the announcement for the Thunder Bay district in anticipation of a change in our current status of the RED zone in Ontario's framework. Once that announcement is made we will reconvene and update the community of any further changes.

Within the community we would like to state that there are currently no confirmed cases within our community. We are currently working with our health partners so that if there were a case, we would be situated to respond quickly. There will be communication to the community, but we will not be releasing any personal or private individual information in the event there is a positive case. We understand that with COVID at our doorstep, that there is a heightened sense of fear, but please be mindful that unless you hear the information from a reputable source, this information is often false and harmful. This is a reminder to please continue to be kind to one another.

We are continuing to monitor the ongoing situation in Thunder Bay, we are concerned regarding the sharp increase in cases in the last few days. We would like to advise our citizens to only travel to Thunder Bay for essential purposes such as a medical appointment. If you have to travel please contact the health team to help you coordinate your needs to keep you safe, and to make arrangements for rapid testing once returning from the community. You will need to isolate until you receive the results of the rapid test.

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. We will be looking at increasing security at the gate to be sure that our protocols and screening will be followed in a consistent manner.



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We are also continuing with the COVID-19 vaccine rollout. We have gone door to door to ask those who may be interested, for their name and information. The information collected was submitted to the health unit, who are responsible for distributing vaccines. Our next steps will be to go back out door to door again to fill out the actual consent form to receive the vaccine. If you have not been contacted by Friday and wish to receive the vaccine, please contact Jorge @ 807 228 3544 or Chelsea @ 807 228 4026. We will have extra forms on hand, and they can assist you with filling out your form as needed.

We currently do not have a date for when we will receive the vaccine, but we know from the surrounding communities it will be here soon. All our plans are in place and the hall is already prepared. We are anticipating having 4 or 5 nurses available over a 2-day span. We are very excited that the vaccine will be here soon.

In the meantime, please remember your own personal health measures to keep yourself and your family safe. Please wear your masks, wash your hands, and maintain your physical distance.

Miigwetch and Stay Safe!

Pandemic Team

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