

Statement

Weekly Influenza Update

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Dr. Maureen Baikie, Chief Medical Officer of Health, released the following statement:

"Influenza has reached Nunavut with 10 confirmed cases so far in the Baffin and Kitikmeot regions. I anticipate influenza will spread throughout the territory in the next few weeks.

I urge Nunavummiut to get a flu shot at their local health centre. The nose spray FluMist vaccine is available for children aged 2 to 17.

I encourage people to take precautions like cough or sneeze into your sleeve, wash your hands and wash them often, and stay home if you're not feeling well.

Remember, it's not too late to get the flu shot."

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