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News Release

One new case of COVID-19 in Nunavut

Iqaluit, Nunavut (December 1, 2020) – Today, Nunavut has a total of 93 active cases of COVID-19 and a total of 89 recovered cases. One new case has been identified in Arviat, bringing the community's number of active cases to 76.

"As we begin to ease restrictions in some communities and regions tomorrow, it is important that we maintain our efforts and follow the new measures," said Dr. Michael Patterson, Nunavut's Chief Public Health Officer. "This is a marathon, not a sprint and our actions in the days, weeks and months to come will determine the status of COVID-19 in Nunavut."

Contact tracing in all impacted communities is ongoing and public health staff are monitoring everyone in isolation. As of November 30, 213 tests have been done in Rankin Inlet with negative results. Arviat testing has yielded 576 negative tests. Testing in Whale Cove yielded 121 negative tests. Monitoring in Sanikiluaq continues.

Anyone who has reason to believe they have been exposed to COVID-19 is advised to call the COVID-hotline at 1-888-975-8601 between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. EST, or notify their community health centre right away, and immediately isolate at home for 14 days. Please do not go to the health centre in person.

For all the latest information and resources about COVID-19 in Nunavut, go to: https://www.gov.nu.ca/health/information/covid-19-novel-coronavirus.

For the latest information on current public health restrictions, go to: https://www.gov.nu.ca/health/information/nunavuts-path

An update will be provided at a press conference at 11 a.m. EST, Wednesday, December 2.

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