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Nunavut extends Public Health Emergency

IQALUIT, Nunavut (September 3, 2020) – Nunavut's Minister of Health George Hickes has extended the territory's public health emergency until September 17, 2020.

"Headed into the fall, and as we continue our long-term planning for COVID-19, it is important that we continue a measured response to the pandemic," said Minister Hickes. "I ask that Nunavummiut remain vigilant and committed to practicing the public health measures in place, and that everyone does their part to keep our communities safe."

Symptoms of COVID-19 include a fever, cough or difficulty breathing. Nunavummiut are reminded to practice physical distancing, frequent handwashing, and to stay home if they feel unwell. Anyone who believes they have been exposed to COVID-19 should call the COVID hotline at 1-888-975-8601 between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. EDT, or notify their community health centre right away, and immediately isolate at home for 14 days.

All existing measures under the public health emergency order remain in effect. For more information on COVID-19 in Nunavut, go to: www.gov.nu.ca/health/information/covid-19-novel-coronavirus

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