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Public Health restrictions ease across Nunavut

Nunavut (July 28, 2021) – Today, Dr. Michael Patterson, Nunavut's Chief Public Health Officer, announced an easing of public health measures in all Nunavut communities.

"On Friday, it will have been more than two weeks since the outbreak in Iqaluit was declared over and there are no active cases in Nunavut," said Dr. Patterson. "After assessing the risk, it is safe to once again ease public health measures across the territory."

Eased public health measures as of 12:01 a.m. July 30:

- Masks will no longer be mandatory but strongly recommended.
- Indoor public gatherings in facilities such as community halls increase to 75 per cent capacity or 100 people, whichever is less.
- Restaurants and bars may open to 75 per cent capacity with two metres between tables and people in line.
- There are no restrictions to outdoor gatherings.
- The theatre may open increase to 75 per cent capacity or 100 people, whichever is less.
- Gyms, fitness centres and swimming pools may increase group sessions to 25 people.
- The swimming pool is open to full capacity.
- Places of worship 75 per cent capacity or 100 people, whichever is less.

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 on COVID-19 in Nunavut, go to: https://www.gov.nu.ca/

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