

COVID-19 GN Update

June 17, 2021

Premier's update:

Good morning. Nunavut is reporting no new or recovered cases of COVID-19 today. There are still eight active cases in Iqaluit. There have been 254 recoveries since this outbreak began.

As of Tuesday, 18,091 people in Nunavut have received their first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, and 15,867 are now fully vaccinated. We are working to get updated numbers as soon as possible.

Our Pfizer clinics started this week, and from the photos I've seen of the walk-in clinic here in Iqaluit, it looks like we're off to a really strong start.

For those outside Iqaluit, please make an appointment through your local health centre for your 12 to 17 year olds.

It's important to remember that the Pfizer vaccines are more difficult to transport and have a much shorter shelf life once thawed. NOW is the time to get teenagers vaccinated. Please don't wait because we can't guarantee when we'll be able to administer Pfizer outside these community clinic dates.

As always - Mask up. Wash your hands often. Keep strict physical distancing. Keep your bubbles small. Get vaccinated, and now, help your teens get vaccinated too.

Stay kind and positive to one another. Do the right thing for yourself, your family and everyone around you. Take care and stay safe.

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Chief Public Health Officer Update:

Good morning,

The situation in Iqaluit continues to improve. We have had no additional cases stem from the exposure notices at the end of last week. There have also been no active cases identified following the positives confirmed in two elementary school students this week. This is encouraging and I urge people to be patient a little longer with the public health measures. Following the measures will help end the outbreak and put us in a position to enjoy our summer.

On Tuesday, vaccines for youth aged 12 to 17 began rolling out across the territory. Vaccines arrived in Arctic Bay, Clyde River, Igloolik, Nauyasat, Pangnirtung, Pond Inlet, Qikiqtarjuaq, Sanirajak, Resolute Bay and Kugaaruk. Grise Fiord's delivery yesterday was delayed by weather and should be arriving today if the plane can land. Vaccines should be delivered to the remaining communities for first doses by June 21.

Here in Iqaluit, youth can go to the mass vaccination clinic that began yesterday and continues until tomorrow, from 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the curling rink.

The vaccine's arrival, availability and most importantly, efficiency, mark a significant step toward further reducing restrictions territory-wide. I urge everyone who is eligible, to get the vaccine. Call your health centre for an appointment. If you are 18 and over it's not too late for you to get your shot. There are vaccines available.

Thank you.

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As part of the Government of Nunavut's (GN) effort to protect Nunavummiut against the risk of COVID-19, GN Departments are implementing the following:

Department of Health Services

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>

For information on upcoming vaccine clinics go to:
<https://gov.nu.ca/health/information/covid-19-vaccination>

Upcoming Community Vaccine Clinics

COVID-19 Vaccinations Clinics for 12 to 17 year olds:

| Arctic Bay (Mass clinic) | | | | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|--|--------------|
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | June 17 - 18 | Health Centre | Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. | 867-439-8873 |
| 2 | July 14 - 16 | | | |
| Arviat (Mass clinic) | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | Every Saturday starting June 19 | Health Centre | 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. | 867-857-3100 |
| 2 | Every Saturday starting July 10 | | | |
| Baker Lake (Mass clinic) | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | June 24 to 26 | Community Arena | Noon to 9 p.m. | 867-793-2816 |
| 2 | July 15 to 17 | | | |
| Cambridge Bay (Mass clinic) | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | June 28 to 30 | Health Centre | 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. | 867 983-4500 |
| 2 | July 21 - 23 | | | |
| Chesterfield Inlet | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | Appointments start June 21 | Health Centre | 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. | 867-898-9968 |

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| Clyde River (Mass clinic) | | | | |
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| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | June 15 to 17 | Quluaq School | Noon to 9 p.m. | 867-924-6377 |
| 2 | July 6 to 8 | | | |
| Coral Harbour (Mass clinic) | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | June 22 | Health Centre | Noon to 9 p.m. | 867-925-9916 |
| 2 | July 13 | | | |
| Gjoa Haven (Mass clinic) | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | June 21 to 22 | Health Centre | 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. | 867-360-7741 |
| 2 | July 15 to 16 | | | |
| Grise Fiord | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | Appointments start June 22 | Health Centre | Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. | 867-980-9923 |
| Igloolik (Mass clinic) | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | June 16 to 18 | Community Hall | Noon to 9 p.m. | 867-934-2100 |
| 2 | July 7,8 &10 | | | |
| Iqaluit (Mass clinic) | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | June 16 to 19 | Curling Rink | 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. | Walk-in |
| 2 | July 14 to 17 | | | |
| Kimmirut | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | Appointments start June 18 | Health Centre | Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. | 867-939-2217 |
| Kinngait (Mass clinic) | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | June 18, 19 and 21 | Community Hall | Noon to 9 p.m. | 867-897-8820 |
| 2 | July 12 to 14 | | | |
| Kugaaruk (Mass clinic) | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | June 18 to 19 | Health Centre | 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. | 867-769-6441 |
| 2 | July 12 to 13 | | | |
| Kugluktuk (Mass clinic) | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | July 5 and 6 | Health Centre | 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. | 867-982-4531 |
| 2 | July 27 and 28 | | | |
| Nauyasat (Mass clinic) | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | June 16 and 17 | Health Centre | 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. | 867-462-9916 |
| 2 | July 7 and 8 | | | |

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| Pangnirtung (Mass clinic) | | | | |
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| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | June 15 to 17 | Community Hall/Hamlet Building | Noon to 9 p.m. | 867-473-8977 |
| 2 | July 6 to 8 | | | |
| Pond Inlet (Mass clinic) | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | June 15 to 17 | Nasivvik High School | Noon to 9 p.m. | 867-899-7500 |
| 2 | July 6 to 8 | | | |
| Qikiqtarjuaq | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | Appointments start June 15 | Health Centre | Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 | 867-927-8916 |
| Rankin Inlet (Mass clinic) | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | June 22 | Community Recreation Centre | 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. | 867-645-8070 |
| 2 | July 13 | | | |
| Resolute Bay | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | Appointments start June 17 | Health Centre | Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 | 867-252-3844 |
| Sanikiluaq | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | June 19 | New Health Centre | Noon to 9 p.m. | 867-266-8965 |
| 2 | July 10 | | | |
| Sanirajak | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | Appointments start June 16 | Health Centre | Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 | 867-928-8827 |
| Taloyoak (Mass clinic) | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | June 24 to 25 | Health Centre | 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. | 867-561-5111 |
| 2 | July 18 to 19 | | | |
| Whale Cove (Mass clinic) | | | | |
| Dose # | Date | Location | Time | Number |
| 1 | June 19 | Health Centre | Noon to 9 p.m. | 867-896-9916 |
| 2 | July 10 | | | |

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COVID-19 case status: June 17

| Total tests | Total Confirmed cases | Total active cases | Total recovered cases | Deaths |
|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------|
| 17,444 | 657 | 8 | 645 | 4 |

* Confirmed cases include those meeting the national case definitions. Persons followed includes individuals with specific symptoms and exposures as well as others who are self-monitoring or self-isolated. Not all of these individuals have symptoms or require testing.

*There may be a delay reporting attribution and statistics from cases acquired in Southern Canada. 12 cases that were detected out of territory have been attributed to Nunavut. This includes 3 deaths. Not all NU residents with COVID-19 detected out of territory will be attributed to Nunavut.

COVID-19 case stats per community: June 17

| Community | COVID-19 status | Time period | Confirmed COVID-19 cases yesterday | Confirmed COVID-19 cases today | Change in case count +/- from previous day | Deaths | Recovered cases | Total active cases |
|--------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|----------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Iqaluit | Ongoing | Since 14/04/2021 | 253 | 253 | 0 | 0 | 245 | 8 |
| Kinngait | Ongoing | Since 19/04/2021 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 |
| Rankin Inlet | Isolated | Since 24/04/2021 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Arviat | Over | 11/2020 – 04/2021 | 339 | 339 | 0 | 1 | 338 | 0 |
| Whale Cove | Over | 11/2020 – 02/2021 | 23 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 0 |
| Rankin Inlet | Over | 11/2020 – 12/2020 | 19 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 0 |
| Sanikiluaq | Over | 11/2020 – 12/2020 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| TOTAL | | | 645 | 645 | 0 | 1 | 636 | 8 |

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COVID-19 vaccination status: June 14

Nunavut Total Population Estimates by Community, as of July 1 2020

| | Total | 18 and over |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Nunavut | 39,353 | 24,878 |
| <u>Qikiqtaaluk Region</u> | 20,822 | 13,359 |
| Arctic Bay | 946 | 530 |
| Clyde River | 1,192 | 688 |
| Grise Fiord | 140 | 96 |
| Igloolik | 1,978 | 1,094 |
| Iqaluit | 8,284 | 6,049 |
| Kimmitut | 427 | 265 |
| Kinngait | 1,547 | 923 |
| Pangnirtung | 1,631 | 1,008 |
| Pond Inlet | 1,794 | 1,031 |
| Qikiqtarjuaq | 651 | 421 |
| Resolute Bay | 218 | 136 |
| Sanikiluaq | 1,014 | 573 |
| Sanirajak | 1,000 | 545 |
| <u>Kivalliq Region</u> | 11,388 | 7,011 |
| Arviat | 2,918 | 1,696 |
| Baker Lake | 2,265 | 1,471 |
| Chesterfield Inlet | 453 | 287 |
| Coral Harbour | 973 | 554 |
| Nauyasat | 1,270 | 648 |
| Rankin Inlet | 3,026 | 2,089 |
| Whale Cove | 483 | 266 |
| <u>Kitikmeot Region</u> | 7,143 | 4,508 |
| Cambridge Bay | 1,902 | 1,352 |
| Gjoa Haven | 1,398 | 836 |
| Kugaaruk | 1,180 | 650 |
| Kugluktuk | 1,517 | 1,000 |
| Taloyoak | 1,146 | 670 |

Vaccine uptake Meditech numbers as of June 14, 2021

| Done 1 dose | % | Done 2 dose | % |
|---------------|------------|---------------|------------|
| 18,025 | 72% | 15,169 | 61% |
| 10,564 | 79% | 8,772 | 66% |
| 391 | 74% | 323 | 61% |
| 503 | 73% | 450 | 65% |
| 81 | 84% | 39 | 41% |
| 543 | 50% | 440 | 40% |
| 5,806 | 96% | 4,873 | 81% |
| 199 | 75% | 166 | 63% |
| 534 | 58% | 443 | 48% |
| 689 | 68% | 542 | 54% |
| 662 | 64% | 552 | 54% |
| 250 | 59% | 206 | 49% |
| 197 | 145% | 133 | 98% |
| 358 | 62% | 287 | 50% |
| 351 | 64% | 318 | 58% |
| 4,641 | 66% | 3,985 | 57% |
| 1,273 | 75% | 1,068 | 63% |
| 882 | 60% | 722 | 49% |
| 208 | 72% | 164 | 57% |
| 283 | 51% | 243 | 44% |
| 371 | 57% | 305 | 47% |
| 1,450 | 69% | 1,350 | 65% |
| 174 | 65% | 133 | 50% |
| 2,820 | 63% | 2,412 | 54% |
| 1,050 | 78% | 946 | 70% |
| 434 | 52% | 368 | 44% |
| 320 | 49% | 227 | 35% |
| 586 | 59% | 500 | 50% |
| 430 | 64% | 371 | 55% |

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| Multiple Communities | | |
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| 229 | | 225 | |
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This information shows the number of doses given in a community as of May 31, 2021.

The percentage of vaccine administered is vaccine administered divided by the Nunavut population estimate for 18 and older.

Territorial totals for doses are an accurate summary. The community level data is under review to ensure appropriate attribution. Community totals will be adjusted as needed. This may lead to minor fluctuations in the percentages by community.

Doses are typically attributed to the community in which they are administered.

Total doses given will include residents and non-residents, including rotational workers.

Multiple communities represent individuals who received doses in two separate communities, or in communities that are not their place of residence.

An individual may have received dose 1 and/or dose 2 outside of their community of residence.

This does not account for people who may have been vaccinated partially or fully out of territory.

A high percentage in one community does not equal herd immunity. There is no established or defined percentage of what herd immunity is for COVID-19. Whatever herd immunity may be it cannot be achieved with current vaccine approvals (e.g. no vaccine available for children under twelve).

Source: Statistics Canada, Demography Division, Special tabulations. Prepared by: Nunavut Bureau of Statistics, January 27, 2021.

Dose numbers are from the Department of Health's Meditech system.

Eligible adults in community are defined as the number of individuals 18 and older as per the 2020 population estimates.

The community population estimates are "non-official" since they are not based on components of population growth (births, deaths and migration). They should be used with caution.

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Testing stats to date: June 17

| Community | Tests positive | Tests negative |
|--------------|----------------|----------------|
| Iqaluit | 253 | 5328 |
| Kinngait | 7 | 206 |
| Rankin Inlet | 2 | 148 |
| Arviat | 339 | 2883 |
| Whale Cove | 23 | 352 |
| Rankin Inlet | 19 | 339 |
| Sanikiluaq | 2 | 202 |
| TOTAL | 645 | 9,458 |

Isolation population:

| Traveller Type | Guests in Isolation as of June 17 |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Medical | 194 |
| Public | 153 |
| EMTI | 61 |
| Construction | 45 |
| Total | 453 |

Traveller repatriation summary:

| Departure Date | # of Travellers from Isolation Sites |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|
| 17-Jun | 70 |
| 18-Jun | 64 |
| 19-Jun | 9 |
| 20-Jun | 21 |
| 21-Jun | 25 |
| Total | 189 |

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Critical Worker Requests:

As of June 17, there were 18,131 requests, 8,946 of which were critical worker requests.

| Request Status | # | % |
|---|--------|-------|
| Approved (includes critical and non-critical) | 14,351 | 79.2% |
| Denied | 317 | 1.7% |
| Pending | 536 | 3.0% |
| Common Travel Area Approved | 2,927 | 16.1% |
| Total | 18,131 | 100% |

Department of Education Services

Ongoing services:

K-12 Schools

The following stages **continue** to be in effect:

- Stage 3 – Schools in Iqaluit.
- Stage 2 – Schools in Rankin Inlet and the Qikiqtani region, except Sanikiluaq and Iqaluit.
- Stage 1 – Schools in Sanikiluaq, the Kitikmeot region, and Kivalliq region, except for Rankin Inlet.

Schools will implement the appropriate action plan for their current stage.

Early Learning and Child Care

All Nunavut child care facilities can remain open, including those in Iqaluit.

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Financial Assistance for Nunavut Students (FANS)

Students booking their FANS-eligible travel must follow the public health measures and recommendations of the CPHO.

If students have questions about their travel, they can contact the FANS office for information at fanstravel@gov.nu.ca.

Nunavummiut's health is our shared responsibility! Remember: wash your hands and surfaces, practice social distancing, listen to the advice of health officials, and stay home if you're sick.

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