



FIRST NATION CONTROL GROUP COMMUNITY BRIEFING

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March 4, 2022

Please be advised, Chief and Council hereby resolve that the community of Bear Island remains in **PROTECTIVE MEASURES** until March 11th, 2022.

CURRENT ACTIVE CASES IN THE COMMUNITY OF BEAR ISLAND

CURRENT CASES	STATUS
1	Active
2	Resolved

FROM FEBRUARY 24, 2022 - MARCH 3, 2022 4:30PM

**Rapid Antigen Tests and N95 Masks
Available at the DPHC.**

Call **705-237-8900 ext. 316** if require any.

NO TRESPASSING

**Due to Covid 19 Global Pandemic;
Bear Island Reserve #1 remains
CLOSED TO GENERAL PUBLIC**

Exemptions will be made of patrons to the Pier Market, Temagami First Nation Citizens and their significant other, Teme-Augama Anishnabai Citizens and their significant other, community residents, off-island TFN essential service staff and those in need of emergency medical care.

COVID-19 RAPID TESTING

**Monday to Friday
8:30am - 12:00pm, 1:00pm - 4:30pm
Saturday & Sunday
4:00pm-8:00pm**

To book your appointment, call
705-237-8900 ext. 316

TFN RAPID TESTING STATISTICS AS OF FEB 8TH

TIME FRAME	TESTS CONDUCTED	RESULTS
FEB.24 -MAR. 3	25	1 POSITIVE 24 NEGATIVE

BEAR ISLAND'S

FOOD SECURITY PROGRAM

April McKenzie, Food Security Coordinator can be reached by calling **705-237-8943 ext.121** or by email at fsc@temagamifirstnation.ca

Please Use Order Forms and return to fsc@temagamifirstnation.ca or drop it off to the Band Office reception or the Pier Market drop box.


The next food delivery will be on Wednesday, March 16th.

MARCH						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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27	28	29	30	31		

DELIVERY
ORDERS DUE

TEMAGAMI FIRST NATION VACCINATION STATISTICS REPORTED ON FEBRUARY 28, 2022

AGE GROUP	POPULATION	1ST DOSE	2ND DOSE	3RD DOSE
18+	221	195 = 88.2%	190 = 86%	122 = 55.2%
12 -17	25	21 = 84%	19 = 76%	7 = 28%
5 - 11	24	15 = 63%	10 = 42%	

 Temagami First Nation	Chronological no. 2022-008
BAND COUNCIL RESOLUTION	File reference no.

The council of the TEMAGAMI FIRST NATION							
Date of duly convened meeting	Province: ONTARIO						
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Do hereby resolve that as of Friday, February 25, 2022, the community of Bear Island is moving out of RED ALERT and into **PROTECTIVE MEASURES**.

WHEREAS the spread of COVID-19 has been declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization on March 11, 2020.

WHEREAS the Covid 19 situation is changing very rapidly. Omicron, is now the dominant strain of COVID-19 in Ontario and is highly transmissible.

WHEREAS TFN is moving to PROTECTIVE MEASURES until March 11, 2022.

WHEREAS Chief & Council of the Temagami First Nation have the authority and jurisdiction pursuant to the Indian Act; sections 81 (1)(a), (c), (d), (p), (q), and (r) to enact emergency effort to prevent the spread of contagions and infectious diseases.

NOW THEREFORE The Temagami First Nation Chief & Council hereby execute the following BCR for the protection of public health and safety of Bear Island.

Emergency Protective Measures:

1. Under the rules of law, a strict No-Trespassing restriction will remain in effect. Exemptions will be made for; patrons to the Pier Market, Northstar Building, Temagami First Nation Citizens and their significant others, Teme-Augama Anishnabai Citizens and their significant others, community residents, off-island TFN essential service staff and those in need of emergency medical care.
2. The wearing of masks and hand-sanitizing is mandatory in all indoor public places.
3. Community residents are encouraged to remain in their household bubble.
4. Band owned buildings are closed to the public until further notice with the exception of essential services.
5. All employees are to work remotely with the exception of essential workers.
6. Food security program is operational bi-weekly.
7. Medical Transportation services will be limited until further notice. For emergency call 9-1-1.
8. Limit indoor gatherings to 10 people, limit outdoor gatherings to 25 people from as few households as possible.

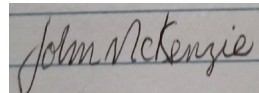
9. The LMLC will remain closed with virtual learning.
10. The daycare will remain closed with virtual programming.
11. For those who have travelled outside of the community recently, it is recommended they receive a rapid test upon return.
12. Covid rapid testing is operational at the clinic, residents and staff are strongly encouraged to utilize this service. If you are showing any symptoms or have been potentially exposed to the covid-19 virus, we encourage you to follow the 1-3-5-7 Rapid Testing Regime and/or self-isolate for 10 days.
13. Police Services are available and will enforce the no trespassing order.
14. Emergency/Essential Services are available.

Temporary Effectiveness

As per Council **MOTION #2022-0224-008** passed on February 24, 2022, this BCR will remain in force until March 11, 2022 , unless that time period is extended or abridged by a resolution by Council.



Chief Shelly Moore-Frappier



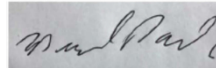
2nd Chief John McKenzie

Councillor Tom Mathias

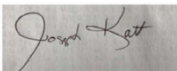
Councillor Roxane Potts



Councillor Jamie Saville



Councillor Michael Paul



Councillor Joseph Katt

Councillor Douglas H. McKenzie

THE POWER OF INFORMATION

Paula Potts, TFN Pandemic Safety Coordinator

Hello to All,

We are approaching the third year mark of the World Health Organization declaring the SARS-coV-2 virus a World Pandemic. It has become apparent that the virus will be part of our everyday life...

The Following is directly from the World Health Organization's Corona Virus information Page found the website address https://www.who.int/health-topics/coronavirus#tab=tab_1

“Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is an infectious disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus.

Most people infected with the virus will experience mild to moderate respiratory illness and recover without requiring special treatment. However, some will become seriously ill and require medical attention. Older people and those with underlying medical conditions like cardiovascular disease, diabetes, chronic respiratory disease, or cancer are more likely to develop serious illness. Anyone can get sick with COVID-19 and become seriously ill or die at any age.

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formed about the disease and how the virus spreads. Protect yourself and others from infection by staying at least 1 metre apart from others, wearing a properly fitted mask, and washing your hands or using an alcohol-based rub frequently. Get vaccinated when it's your turn and follow local guidance.

The virus can spread from an infected person's mouth or nose in small liquid particles when they cough, sneeze, speak, sing or breathe. These particles range from larger respiratory droplets to smaller aerosols. It is important to practice respiratory etiquette, for example by coughing into a flexed elbow, and to stay home and self-isolate until you recover if you feel unwell.”

Since March of 2019, the virus has mutated into different variants and the Health teams all over the world have worked tirelessly to research the virus, create a vaccine and now there is an anti-viral drug available to those who meet certain criteria that can be prescribed when a person contracts the virus.

Through the pandemic, the message has been very clear about stopping the spread, self monitoring, staying away from large crowds, ect. We all hold responsibility of protecting one's self and others by lowering our risk to acquiring the virus. Educating ourselves and implementing the health measures suggested is our best protection. The things that we do now, such as wearing a mask, sanitizing, social distancing and avoiding large crowds have become an everyday habit. The focus in regard

to the pandemic is shifting and is explained very well in this excerpt from an article referenced here.

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/canada-more-sustainable-covid-response-1.6339609>

“Canada's top doctor said today the country needs to find a more “sustainable” way to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic and future variants of the virus.

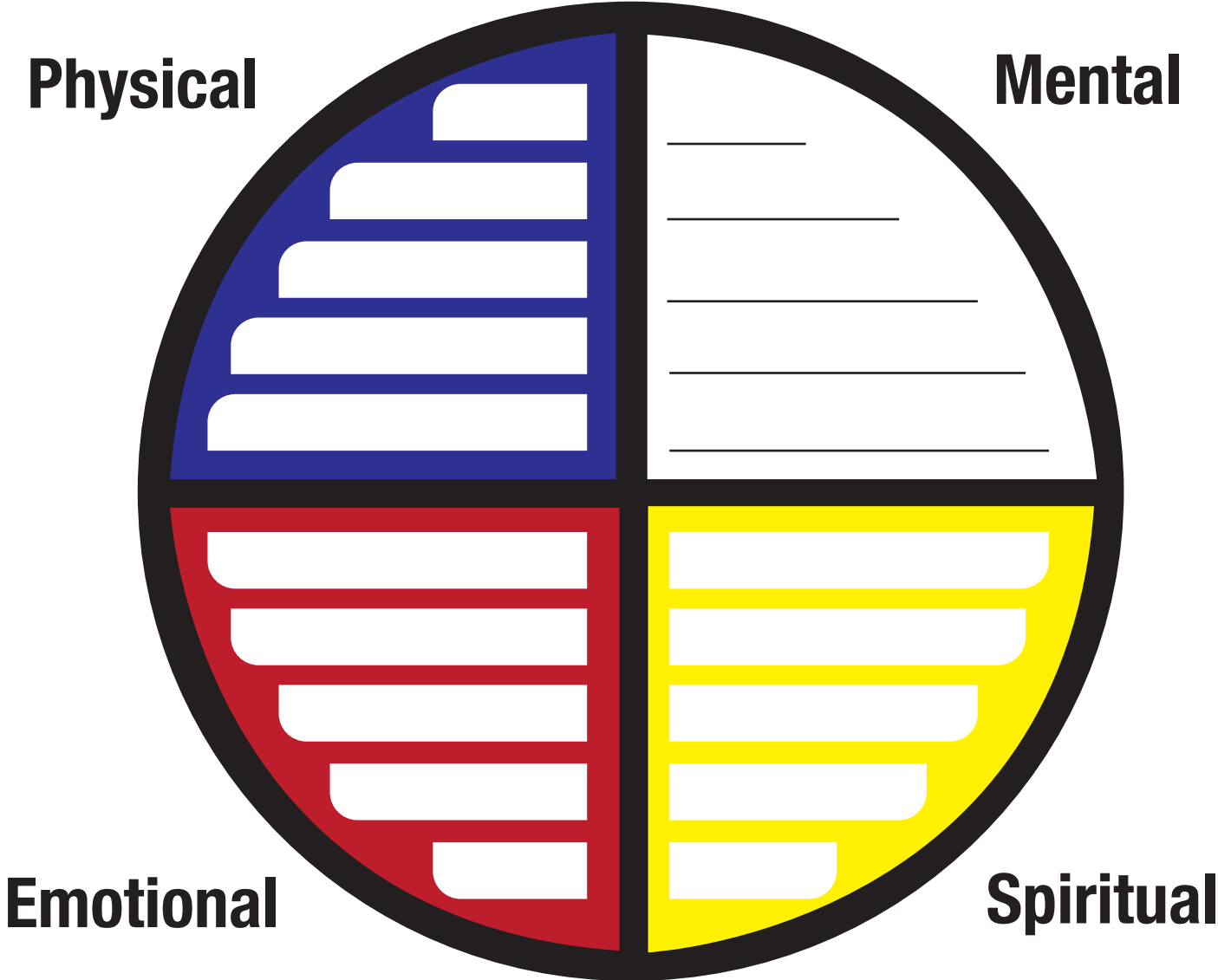
Speaking to reporters at the weekly public health briefing, Chief Public Health Officer Dr. Theresa Tam said all existing public health policies, including provincial vaccine passports, need to be “re-examined” in the coming weeks — because it's clear now that Canada and the rest of the world will be grappling with this virus for months or years to come.

“What we need to do going forward, as we emerge out of this Omicron wave, is recognize this virus is not going to disappear. We need to be able to address the ongoing presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus in a more sustainable way,” Tam said.

“Further waves will occur. Some will be quite severe and disruptive and we need to be ready for them. But we do need to have longer-term, sustained approaches and capacity-building so we're not in a crisis mode all the time as we fight this virus.”

Tam said the Public Health Agency of Canada is talking to its provincial and territorial counterparts to chart a path forward for a country exhausted after two years of enduring some of the most restrictive measures in the developed world.”

In order to create and maintain a healthy Nation for our future we continue to take the best care of one's self. It is so important to continue to educate ourselves and create a plan as to how we are going to keep ourselves balanced and healthy. As Anishnabai are a visual people (our original language is descriptive and creates pictures in our minds), we often find it easier to understand and use imagery to share and learn.



We have provided a picture of Medicine wheel referring to 4 aspects of Self (mental/emotional/spiritual/physical). This can be used as a guide as to how to take of yourself in regard to the pandemic, or even to create and maintain a self-care plan for you or your household's overall health and wellbeing.

SEEKING RAPID TESTERS!

In an effort to keep our community safe, the DPHC is seeking to recruit additional Rapid Testers.

Rapid Testers will be required to test community members and staff for the COVID-19 virus. Training and certification will be provided.

If you wish to apply for this paid, casual position or for further details, call 705-237-8900 x. 304 or email pandemic@temagamifirstnation.ca

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**Help
protect
yourself
and your
community
by wearing
a mask.**

**TRAVELLING AWAY FROM BEAR ISLAND FOR ANY EXTENDED PERIOD?
Book your Rapid Test upon returning home.
705-237-8900 ext. 316**

What is a 'resolved' case of COVID-19?

This is when someone has recovered from COVID-19.

They are no longer shedding the live virus and cannot spread an infection to others.



Sioux Lookout
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Health Authority



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