

October 5, 2021

## **TAHLTAN NATION COVID-19 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT UPDATE**

The Tahltan Nation COVID-19 Emergency Management Team (TNCEMT) met today and would like to inform the Tahltan Nation that **12** individuals have been confirmed positive for COVID-19.

Over 55 people have now been directed to isolate because they have been in direct contact with a COVID-19 positive case.

Thank you to Newcrest/Red Chris for assisting our EMC in providing widespread testing in Dease Lake and Iskut. 30 individuals were tested on Saturday October 2<sup>nd</sup>, with zero positive results. 25 were tested in Dease Lake and 23 in Iskut on Monday October 4<sup>th</sup> with zero positive results. This does not mean we are through this; rather, we need to remain vigilant and keep testing:

### **DEASE LAKE & ISKUT TESTING CLINICS**

**Newcrest/Red Chris will be assisting our EMC to provide another round of testing this Thursday.**

We would like to encourage everyone who has been contacted by your respective contact tracing community team or anyone who believes they may have been in contact with a positive case to come down and have an antigen test done.

**Antigen (asymptomatic testing) will be available at the following locations:**

**Dease Lake Community Hall (on First Ave)  
October 7<sup>th</sup> 8am to 12pm**

**or**

**Iskut Band Office (left entrance)  
October 7<sup>th</sup> 2pm to 4pm**

Please abide by the following when you are attending one of our testing clinics:

- **Wear a mask** - masks are mandatory inside all community/public spaces;
- **Limit number of times you go to high traffic** areas such as the store or post office (masks, sanitizing and six feet distancing); and

- **Feeling unwell, stay home:** If you have the slightest of symptoms (runny nose, fever, cough, flu-like symptoms) stay home and contact the local health centre or EMC for a PCR test. Antigen tests cannot be used on community members who are already showing symptoms.

Please note that antigen (asymptomatic testing) is up to date and remains available, by appointment, during regular business hours in Telegraph Creek by calling the following:

**CHR @ Telegraph Creek**  
(250) 235-3047

## **IMPORTANT REMINDER**

**To get this under control and limit the number of positive cases, everyone in Tahltan Territory needs to pull together and commit to the following effective immediately:**

- **Limit your movements** to allow contact tracing to be completed;
- **Remain within your personal bubble**, unless you must go to work or you are going onto the land to exercise with those in your household (people you live with); avoid non-essential travel (masks, sanitizing and six feet distancing) if outside of your bubble;
- **Do not visit other communities; and**
- **\*\*\* If you have been in direct contact with anyone who has tested positive or is a confirmed positive you must self-isolate and self-monitor for 14 DAYS. If you are employed in Territory, you must self-isolate and self-monitor for 14 DAYS. If you are employed outside of Territory or on-site in Territory, please contact your employer for direction. \*\*\***

**Any questions?** Please contact Feddie Louie, 3N/Tahltan Nation Emergency Management Operation Director, Phone: 250-638-7087 or 250-234-3568. Email [louie.feddie@gmail.com](mailto:louie.feddie@gmail.com).

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