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COVID-19 Update: August 27, 2020

On August 20 we were made aware of a single positive confirmed COVID-19 test result of an individual who lives in the community. This individual is still currently self-isolating as per the standard 14-day isolation protocol, as well as the other individuals who have been identified as direct contacts with the known case. These individuals were identified during the contact tracing process which was completed on August 21. Please note that we have strict obligations with respect to protecting sensitive and confidential information pertaining to specific cases. If you have any concern or questions about this process, please contact Marina McComber, Community Health Nurse at 705-507-0134.

Our COVID-19 Response Team has met frequently to assess the situation and provide recommendations to Council including the reopening of the administration office buildings, Community Centre, Reserve Camp and Chalet until as we have determined that we have contained the situation and there is a very low risk of any spreading of the virus in the community. We will be updating our reopening plan to incorporate lessons learned from the most recent case and to ensure it is clear how we will respond to these situations moving forward. Please be advised that band owned facilities will reopen on **August 31, 2020**.

Please be advised that the State of Emergency has been extended by Gimaa and Council until September 29, 2020. This provides an opportunity to not only convey the significance of the ongoing pandemic but allow for Council to pass emergency measures to either close or open the community through a phased approach. There are orders and precautions currently in place to protect our community and visitors. These orders and precautions include:

- Maintain 6 ft of physical distancing from any person that is not in your designated 10-person social circle or household and wearing a mask if this is not possible.
- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water or hand sanitizer.
- Stay home if you are feeling unwell and stay home unless you are leaving for essential services and errands.
- Monitor yourself for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 (See Public Health Sudbury & Districts website for list of symptoms).
- Avoid any non-essential travel.
- Self-isolate for 14 days or get tested when returning to the Sudbury area from out of Province or high risk locations (as noted in the Gimaa and Council orders posted on our website: atikamekshenganishnawbek.ca/covid-19-updates/)

If you have any questions with regards to the testing, please call Marina McComber, Community Health Nurse at 705-507-0134 or Carmen Wabegijig Nootchtai, Director of Health & Community Wellness at 705-822-3462. You can also email us at covid@wfn.com.