

Public Service Announcement

Wind direction change may bring dump fire smoke over Rankin Inlet

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The Department of Health is advising residents of Rankin Inlet to take necessary precautions from the dump fire smoke.

The level of smoke may affect some people with heart and lung disease. The elderly and the very young may be more at risk to health effects. If the smoke is heavy, you should stay indoors as much as possible. Keep doors and windows closed, and air exchangers turned off or set to re-circulate indoor air. Limit physical activity if you have to go outside.

You should seek medical attention if you don't feel well and can't manage your symptoms on your own. Watch for wheezing, shortness of breath, tightness in your chest and dizziness. The smoke may also be irritating to your eyes, nose and throat.

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