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Public Service Announcement

Q&A Iqaluit landfill fire

Start Date: May 23, 2014

End Date: May 25, 2014

Iqaluit, NU

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People in Iqaluit may have questions about the dump fire and what to do if smoke drifts over the community. Here are some helpful questions-and-answers from the Department of Health:

Q: Who should be concerned about smoke from the dump fire?

A: There may be times when smoke from the dump fire comes towards the community. Depending on the level of smoke, some people may be more at risk than others to health effects from the smoke. This includes people with heart or lung conditions, infants, young children and the elderly.

Q: What can I do to reduce my exposure to the smoke?

A: People who might be affected can reduce their exposure to smoke by staying indoors as much as possible, with doors and windows closed, and air exchangers turned off. If you have to go outside, limit physical activity.

Q: What is in the smoke coming from the dump fire?

A: The smoke contains a mixture of chemicals and fine particles. The types and amount of particles and chemicals in the smoke varies depending on what is burning and the burn temperature.

