

Statement

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Iqaluit outbreak declared over

Iqaluit, Nunavut (July 20, 2021) – Dr. Michael Patterson, Nunavut's Chief Public Health Officer, today released the following statement:

"As of Monday, it has been 28 days since anyone in Iqaluit had COVID-19. Since there have been no further cases, we can now declare the outbreak in the city over.

Current public health measures, including mandatory masks remain in place. For the next 2 weeks, we will continue to monitor the situation and if there are no additional cases of the virus identified, we will be able to further ease restrictions. COVID-19 testing will be available at the Cadet Hall Monday to Friday from 2 to 4 p.m. until Friday July 23. The mobile testing van is also available Monday to Saturday around Iqaluit and will be available until July 31. Vaccination clinics are ongoing across the territory.

I encourage everyone to continue following public health restrictions, wash your hands frequently, stay home when sick and call the COVID-19 hotline at 1888-975-8601 if you have symptoms."

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