

Garden Hill First Nation

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Critical Emergency Directive II

The risk of Covid19 coming to our community is increasing as the numbers increase in the southern regions, with evidence of community spread of the virus in Winnipeg and Brandon. We need to begin our phased-in *Critical Emergency Directive II* as of Monday, August 17, 2020:

Step 1: Mandatory Masks

Masks will be mandatory in all public places and where physical distancing of 6ft/2m cannot be guaranteed. This includes Garden Hill First Nation (GHFN) and any other place, including Winnipeg. Basically, wear a mask when you are not at home, out of your home bubble, where you can't stay 6 ft/2m away from anyone not in your bubble.

Step 2: Travel restriction as follows:

- a. Effective Monday, August 17, 2020, all unnecessary (ie. Cash-paying/pleasure/leisure) travel is prohibited. This means no unnecessary travel to Winnipeg or any other Manitoba destinations, and no out-of-province travel.
- All GHFN members who are out of the community for pleasure/leisure reasons should plan to return to Garden Hill by Monday, August 17, 2020.
- c. All (cash-paying and medical) people returning from Winnipeg must self-isolate for 14 days at home upon return to GHFN.
- d. All GHFN and ILFNFS program managers must limit business travel to essential/emergencies only.
- e. Essential Services workers will continue to travel as per their own organizations' safety rules. Essential services workers are: Chief and Council/Representatives, FARHA, ILTC, ILFNFS, KHSI, RCMP/Justice, Health Care Professionals, Transportation Professionals, Utility Workers (Hydro/MTS/Specialized Technicians/Teachers/Food Supply Workers), Construction workers/Contractors, and the Pandemic Team.
- f. Exceptions to travel restrictions will be decided unanimously by a panel of 3 people consisting of Health Director, Pandemic Team Leader, and a designated member of Chief & Council.

Step 3: Mandatory 14-Day Self-Isolation upon return to Garden Hill First Nation:

To ensure that we do not spread Covid around our community, all people returning to Garden Hill must self-isolate at home for 14 days, until the 14-Day Winnipeg-based Quarantine/Self-Isolation Facility is established (see Step 4). This is an honourable gesture of respect for our community and its vulnerable people.

Step 4: Creation of Winnipeg-based 14-Day Monitored Quarantine/Self-Isolation Facility.

The Pandemic Planning Committee is working on creating a Winnipeg-based Monitored Quarantine/Self-Isolation Facility. This facility will comfortably and safely house all returning GHFN community members coming back from medical travel and emergency business trips. Essential services workers will continue to travel according to their safety guidelines.

Signed August 15, 2020, at the Garden Hill First Nation

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