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COVID-19 Screening Tool - Experiencing symptoms?

Take a self-assessment

Contact Health Links-Info Santé at 204-788-8200 or 1-888-315-9257 (tollfree) if you're experiencing symptoms of the 2019 novel coronavirus.

Do not call 911 unless it is an emergency.

Current Situation

NEW Last updated: August 16, 2020

Public health officials advise the current five-day COVID-19 test positivity rate is 1.47 per cent. Thirty six new cases of the virus have been identified as of 9:30 a.m. today while two previously identified cases have been removed. One previously identified case has been confirmed as an out of province resident while another previously identified case has been determined to not be a case. This brings

the total number of lab-confirmed positive and probable positive cases in Manitoba to 697.

The data shows there were:

- one new case in Interlake-Eastern Health Region;
- nine new cases in the Prairie Mountain Health region;
- 21 new cases in Southern Health-Sante Sud; and
- five new cases in the Winnipeg region.

Preliminary investigations indicate that the majority of today's Southern Health-Sante Sud regional cases are linked to a known cluster. Case investigations are ongoing and when they are completed, additional information will be provided as needed to inform of any public health risks.

The data also shows:

- nine current hospitalizations, with three individuals in intensive care;
- 205 active cases and 483 individuals have recovered from COVID-19; and
- the number of deaths due to COVID-19 is nine.

Testing numbers show an additional 1,669 laboratory tests were completed on Saturday, bringing the total number of tests completed since early February to 113,952. Unless recommended by public health, only individuals experiencing COVID-19 symptoms should go for testing. Individuals with symptoms are asked to seek testing as soon as possible once symptoms are present.

Employers are asked to only send employees for testing if they have symptoms or if testing has been recommended by public health. The online assessment tool can be found here https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/screening-tool/ and COVID-19 symptoms can be found here https://www.gov.mb.ca/covid19/updates/about.html#collapse4

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