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COVID-19 Screening Tool - Experiencing symptoms?

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Contact **Health Links-Info Santé** at **204-788-8200** or **1-888-315-9257** (toll-free) 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 25, 2020

Public health officials advise a thirteenth death related to COVID-19 has been reported, a female in her 90s from the Steinbach health district in the Southern Health-Santé Sud region. This is a previously-announced case connected to a known outbreak at Bethesda Place.

The current five-day COVID-19 test positivity rate is 2.7 per cent. Twenty-five new cases of the virus have been identified today as of 9:30 a.m. This brings the total number of lab-confirmed cases in Manitoba to 1,018.

Of the 25 cases, there were:

- 10 in the Prairie Mountain Health region;
- Nine in Southern Health-Sante Sud; and
- Six in the Winnipeg health region.

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:

- seven current hospitalizations, with one individual in intensive care;
- 399 active cases and 606 individuals have recovered from COVID-19; and
- the number of deaths due to COVID-19 is thirteen.

Manitobans are strongly encouraged to return to the fundamentals to help stop the spread of COVID-19. This means not going out while you feel ill, practicing proper hand hygiene, covering your cough and physical distancing when you are with people outside your household. If you can't physical distance, wear a mask.

Testing numbers show an additional 1,428 laboratory tests were completed on Monday, bringing the total number of tests completed since early February to 128,576.

The Portage la Prairie Drive-Thru Community Testing Site (245 Royal Rd) is moving to a new location. The site will be closed on Aug. 26 and will re-open at Portage Ave. and 5th St. SE on Aug. 27. Hours of operation will be Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. by appointment only. To book, call 204-428-3471.

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 at <https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/screening-tool/> and COVID-19 symptoms can be found at www.gov.mb.ca/covid19/updates/about.html#collapse4.

For up-to-date information on COVID-19 in Manitoba, visit www.manitoba.ca/COVID19.

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