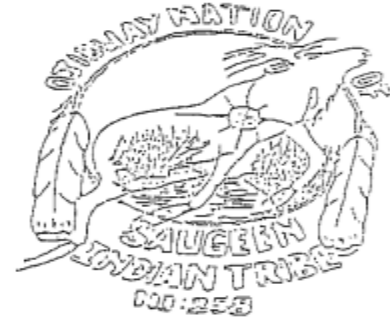


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## COMMUNITY NOTICE, July 9, 2020

We are pleased to inform all community members that as of July 8, 2020, there is only one active case of COVID-19 in Sioux Lookout, and that all six (6) active cases at Mennoyawin Hospital in Sioux Lookout are now resolved. You can see these numbers in the chart produced by Sioux Lookout First Nations Health Authority, on its website, as of July 8, 2020. This is very good news.

## COVID-19 CASES AMONG SIOUX LOOKOUT AREA FIRST NATIONS

Location	Active Cases	Total Cases	Change from Yesterday	Cases Resolved	Number of Deaths
Sioux Lookout area First Nation – on reserve <sup>^</sup>	1*	5	0	4	0
Sioux Lookout area First Nations – off reserve <sup>^^</sup>	0	6	0	6	0

### Notes:

<sup>^</sup>Source: SLFNHA COVID-19 Regional Surveillance System. Includes confirmed cases whose primary residence is in one of the 31 communities served by SLFNHA.  
<sup>^^</sup>Source: Thunder Bay District Health Unit and Northwestern Health Unit. Includes confirmed cases among Sioux Lookout area band members whose primary residence is off-reserve. Note that SLFNHA and as such may be under-reported.

\*Case is isolating in Sioux Lookout.

Many of the confirmed COVID-19 cases in our catchment are also resolved, as you can see in the chart below, there are now only 4 active cases in our catchment area. **These numbers are constantly changing:**

## COVID-19 CASES AND TESTING IN KEY REGIONAL HUBS THAT SERVE SIOUX LOOKOUT AREA FIRST NATIONS

Location	Active Cases	Total Confirmed Cases	Change from Yesterday	Cases Resolved	Number of Deaths	Total Tests Done	Total Negative Tests
Thunder Bay District Health Unit*	2	92	0	89	1	21,743	21,651

Location	Active Cases	Total Confirmed Cases	Change from Yesterday	Cases Resolved	Number of Deaths	Total Tests Done	Total Negative Tests
Sioux Lookout Health Hub**	2	13	0	11	0	1,073	1,060
Dryden Health Hub**	0	5	0	5	0	1,430	1,425
Red Lake Health Hub**	0	3	0	3	0	424	421

**As a result of these encouraging results, our Customary Chief and Headmen have decided to once again allow access to our community, as of July 10, 2020 at 12:00 am.**

As of July 10, 2020, off reserve family members and visitors will be allowed back onto Saugeen reserve lands and contractors doing work in Saugeen will also be allowed to return. We will still be monitoring who is coming into our community through our checkpoint, so that we can be properly prepared to do contract tracing, in the event of an outbreak of COVID-19 in our community.

As part of our pandemic plan, for our community, we are doing the following:

1. Make food, cleaning supplies, and personal protective equipment available for our members so that our vulnerable members can reduce the number of times they need to leave Saugeen for essentials. Please contact our Health Centre staff to make arrangements for what you need.
2. Have scheduled transportation available for our members to assist with health appointments and grocery shopping off reserve.
3. Continuing to offer food subsidies to help families with children purchase nutritious foods.
4. Continuing to work directly with Health Canada and local health facilities to learn and use best practices in our plan to keep our community safe.

We realize our elderly members and those with underlying health conditions are still nervous about too much social contact, and ask that all our on and off reserve members continue be very careful not to expose our community members to any infections. Please stay home if you are not feeling well - do not come to Saugeen.

We continue to encourage all our members to follow the advice of healthcare experts, and visit the Government of Canada, COVID-19 **Prevention and Risks** information online at <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid-19.html> for more detail on how to stay safe.

Miigwitch and Stay Safe,

Violet Machimity, Band Manager