

March 13, 2020



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IMPORTANT COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT ESSENTIAL HEALTH SERVICES

Effective March 16, 2020, the Whitefish River Health Centre will only be open for ESSENTIAL HEALTH SERVICES for preventative measures. These precautionary measures are following in coordination with other healthcare facilities.

This protocol will be implemented at all health care facilities across Manitoulin Island due to the declaration of a global pandemic. The purpose of this action is to reduce the risk of spreading any viruses or bacteria.

It is essential that the Health Centre maintains a degree of isolation precaution in order to prevent the spread. If the facility becomes compromised, then as a result the healthcare team will become compromised and we will not be able to provide essential health care services.

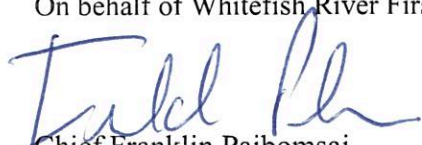
The Healthcare team understands its commitment to the community and advise members to follow these steps if you wish to contact them. The protocol that will be implemented is:

- 1) Only ESSENTIAL HEALTH SERVICES will be provided, there will be no other external provider services provided, such as dietary services.
- 2) All community members are to call into the Health Centre prior to arrival. Our phone number is (705)285-4354.
- 1) All persons will be screened via telephone, it is mandatory that the following questions be asked:
 - a. Have you traveled out of Canada in the last 14 days or been in contact with anyone who is sick in the last 14 days.
 - b. Do you have the following symptoms?
 - i. FEVER
 - ii. COUGH
 - iii. SHORTNESS OF BREATH

If you have any concerns please do not hesitate to call the Whitefish River Health Centre and speak to Angela Shawanda, Health Manager or to Talon McGregor, Registered Practice Nurse at 705-285-4354.

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On behalf of Whitefish River First Nation Chief and Council,


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