

COVID-19



Northern Population Health Unit

Weekly Update

LA RONGE

AS OF APRIL 28, 2021

COVID-19 Cases

≤5 New cases in last 7 days	≤5 Recoveries in last 7 days	≤5 Current active cases	181 Total cumulative cases
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Note: To preserve confidentiality, case numbers less than or equal to 5 in any category are reported as ≤5.

COVID-19 Cases and Variants of Concern in the North

- In the past week we have seen an increase in new reported cases and variants of concern in the north.
- The main risk factors for spread of disease are parties, people visiting between different households, and travel outside of home communities.
- The majority of those new cases confirmed in the north over the past week are under the age of 40 years.
- Northern residents are reminded that The Provincial Public Health Order measures have been extend to 10 May 2021.
- Please follow recommended health and safety measures at all times, regardless of the number of known active cases in your community.
- Avoid socialization between different households.
- Do not travel outside your community (including out-of-province) unless essential.

This week (24-30 April 2021) is National Immunization Awareness Week!

- ◇ This annual event highlights and recognizes the importance of immunization.
- ◇ Immunization is a safe and effective way of preventing illness caused by infectious diseases.
- ◇ Immunization doesn't just protect the people who get immunized – it protects those around them too.
- ◇ In Canada, immunization has saved more lives than any other health intervention.
- ◇ COVID-19 immunizations, in combination with recommended individual precautions and public health measures in the north (and across the province) will help us get to the end of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- ◇ Effective today April 28, 2021, eligibility in the provincial age-based immunization program moves to age 30 and older for residents living in the Northern Saskatchewan Administration District. All northerners are encouraged to get their vaccine at their earliest opportunity.

References:

Government of Saskatchewan. (2021). COVID-19. Public Health Measures. Public Health Orders. Available [here](#).
Immunize Canada: <https://immunize.ca/niaw>

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