



June 17, 2021

Joint Advisory on COVID-19 Outbreak

Dear residents and Yukoners,

The Champagne and Aishihik First Nations (CAFN) and Village of Haines Junction (VoHJ) Councils ask all residents, visitors and potential visitors to Haines Junction and the CAFN Traditional Territory to behave with the utmost safety and respect. With the COVID-19 outbreak announced in the Yukon this week and infections rising daily, we want to take a whole of community approach to protect everyone, especially our most vulnerable and those who cannot be vaccinated.

To all who are considering visiting Dakwākāda/Haines Junction and the CAFN Traditional Territory, we ask you to consider waiting till the outbreak subsides, and visit us when it is safer.

To everyone in our community:

Please follow Yukon's Safe 6 + 1. This is our first line of defense.

1. Keep a safe distance from people outside your household;
 2. Wash your hands regularly and thoroughly;
 3. If you feel sick, stay home, and if you have COVID symptoms please get tested;
 4. Do not travel to rural communities unless it is essential;
 5. Keep your social bubble small – now is not the time for social gatherings;
 6. Self-isolate if you are required to;
- +1 - Wear a mask in public and when in close contact with others.

Self-isolate if required.

The Chief Medical Officer of Health has identified several recent graduation events that were exposure sites. If you attended any of these events or parties, or have been instructed by Yukon Communicable Disease Control (YCDC) to self-isolate, please self-isolate till June 25 or as instructed by YCDC. This is very important to lock down the virus and prevent further spread.

Get tested if you have symptoms.

Symptoms of COVID-19 include:

- Fever/chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Runny nose

- Sore throat
- Headache
- Loss of sense of taste or smell
- Fatigue
- Loss of appetite
- Nausea and vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Muscle aches

If you have symptoms, please call the health centre at 634-4444 in Haines Junction to get tested. In Whitehorse phone 393-3083 or book online at book-covid-19-test.service.yukon.ca.

Get vaccinated when you can

We are grateful that so many people in our community have chosen to get the COVID-19 vaccine. Our high vaccination rate shows the strength of our community when we work together, and will continue to protect us at this challenging time.

If you haven't been vaccinated yet, we encourage you to consider getting both doses of the COVID-19 vaccine as soon as you are able. Adults 18+ can book at the Haines Junction health centre (634-4444) and in Whitehorse at Yukon.ca/thisisourshot. Youth age 12-17 can book in Whitehorse for first and second doses, and in Haines Junction for second doses June 28 at Yukon.ca/thisisourshot.

The CAFN and VoHJ Councils encourage all community members and Yukoners to keep up the good work. The Safe 6 + 1 and vaccines are still our best tools to prevent the spread of the virus, serious illness, and death - and they work.

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Thank you.



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