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March 10, 2022

Joint Message on Continuing COVID-19 Safety

Dear community members,

The Champagne and Aishihik First Nations (CAFN) and Village of Haines Junction (VoHJ) Councils are pleased to see the return of more opportunities to gather safely. Through the past two years, we have all made sacrifices to keep our community safe. Now it is important to also focus on our mental health by safely reconnecting with each other and returning to more activities we enjoy. Thank you to everyone who has respectfully waited to visit our community. We are pleased to welcome visitors to Dakwäkäda/ Haines Junction again.

Though the COVID-19 risk is going down, we ask that residents and visitors to Dakwäkäda/ Haines Junction and the CAFN Traditional Territory continue to respect each other and stay safe. We may want to be done with COVID-19, but it is still present and we must continue to be cautious and respectful of each other. Please:

- Practice CAFN's Safe 6 on page 3,
- ✓ respect the rules for our local businesses and community spaces,
- ✓ follow the guidelines currently in effect for the Yukon Territory, and
- ✓ plan for safer activities by assessing the risk and choosing the safest options: https://yukon.ca/en/health-and-wellness/covid-19-information/your-health-covid-19/how-assess-your-covid-19-risk

Please get the COVID-19 vaccine.

Nda sägäl yè dän ghāts'ungwät äyèt kwäka Dádän shäwghāduch'e ni I'm getting the medicine needle because I care about our people

COVID-19 vaccines are safe, effective and save lives. They are now available to everyone ages 5 and older. The vaccination rate in our community is something to be proud of and continues to be among the highest in the Yukon.

COVID vaccination rates for our health catchment as of March 10, 2022 (source Yukon.ca)

Everyone ages 5 and older:

Ages 18+

- 1st dose 1st dose 95% 1st and 2nd doses 1st and 2nd doses 92% 1st, 2nd and a booster 65% Getting vaccinated for COVID-19 and keeping your vaccines current helps us protect ourselves and each other. We encourage you and your family to get the COVID-19 vaccine and booster as soon as you are able.

Please learn more and book at <u>Yukon.ca/thisisourshot</u> and call the health centre (634-4444) if you have questions.

At this time, proof of vaccination is required under Yukon and Canadian law in some locations. Please get your Yukon proof of vaccination and show it when required: https://yukon.ca/en/vaccine-proof.

COVID-19 Tests

Rapid self-tests are available:

- to everyone at the Yukon territorial agent (motor vehicles and liquor store),
- for students and staff through the school, and
- for CAFN Citizens, staff and families.

Please self-test regularly. * If you test positive, please contact the health centre at 634-4444 to confirm your result and to help track whether COVID-19 is circulating in our community.

Please reach out if you need information

For Champagne and Aishihik First Nations current COVID-19 measures, please visit: https://cafn.ca/covid-19.

For full details on measures in the Village of Haines Junction, please visit http://www.hainesjunctionyukon.com.

The current guidance from the Government of Yukon is available here https://yukon.ca/en/health-and-wellness/covid-19-information.

Current case activity, vaccination rates and more are also available here: https://covid-19-data-dashboard.service.yukon.ca/

Shäw nithän - thank you:

- To all our front line, health care and mental wellness workers who have worked so hard to keep us all safe and healthy.
- To everyone who lives in this very special community and has risen to the occasion to look out for each other for the past two years.

Gunałchish.

Kaaxnox, Dän nätthe äda Steve Smith, Chief

Champagne and Aishihik First Nations

Thank you.

Village of Haines Junction

CAFN'S SAFE 6



1. STAY HOME WHEN SICK, GET TESTED AND SELF-ISOLATE WHEN REQUIRED



2. WASH YOUR HANDS OFTEN OR USE HAND SANITIZER



3. RESPECT OTHERS BY KEEPING A SAFE DISTANCE - ONE MOOSE APART



4. GATHER SAFELY: AVOID THE 3 C'S - CROWDED PLACES, CLOSED SPACES AND CLOSE CONTACT



5. TRAVEL RESPECTIVILY BY FOLLOWING LOCAL GUIDANCE AND RESPECTING THE RULES OF EACH BUSINESS



6. KEEP YOUR SPACE CLEAN AND OPEN WINDOWS TO IMPROVE AIRFLOW



I'M GETTING THE MEDICINE NEEDLE BECAUSE I CARE ABOUT OUR PEOPLE



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