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Business Community and Chamber Members,

The Iqaluit Chamber of Commerce, and the Baffin Regional Chamber of Commerce are working together to provide timely and relevant information about the COVID outbreak in Iqaluit and to a larger extent the Qikiqtani region.

As Iqaluit's positive cases of Covid 19 have dropped significantly the Iqaluit Chamber, and BRCC would like to remind you to keep in mind safety protocols from the CPHO and the Government of Nunavut regarding the spread of Covid 19. It is more important than ever that we provide the necessary tools to keep our essential workers safe and protect members of our communities. This is a reminder of how easy this virus can spread. We must remain calm and stay vigilant during this difficult time.

Below we have outlined what will be required throughout the territory in relation to travel into Nunavut. It is important to be reminded that the CPHO has imposed a mandatory mask order for the territory at this time.

Our goal as the Chambers is to ensure that our business communities are informed in this trying time and as such we want to take a few minutes of your time and give you an update.

We know that many businesses have questions regarding the announcements that have been made today with regard to travel and isolation. You can find detailed information here <https://gov.nu.ca/health/information/travel-and-isolation> .

Travel for pleasure or to bring in vaccinated workers:

- Send your request **2 weeks** in advance (please do not send them with more advanced time)
- Allow up to 5 days for a response
- Employers **will not** be able to fill out the paperwork for workers given the sensitive nature of personal information required however you can help your workers by providing the paperwork and where to send it. Those requests can be sent to [vaccineexemptions@gov.nu.ca](mailto:vaccineexemptions@gov.nu.ca) and the forms can be found at

For essential workers or emergency workers:

- Continue to use the essential worker system/forms you have already been using by sending it to [CPHOTravelRequests@gov.nu.ca](mailto:CPHOTravelRequests@gov.nu.ca)

Vaccination is now available to essential workers/non-residents when they are in Nunavut. Please contact the health clinic in your community to find out more information or reach out to us and we will provide you with a list.

The airlines in Nunavut are looking to increase frequency to some destinations or have already increased the amount of flights. Please visit Canadian North or Calm Air for the latest in flight schedules. We anticipate travel bubbles being formed with other provinces/territories in the near future.

We also would like to encourage you to reach out to WSCC if you have any concerns or questions on the safety of your workers and reopening. They have Prevention Officers and a tool kit of resources that are available to employers to answer many of your workplace safety questions around COVID. You can find their website and contact information at <https://wscc.nu.ca/health-safety/covid-19> .

We believe that this streamlined approach to disseminating information will provide a better and more thorough approach to keeping you informed. The Chambers will continue to have weekly meetings with the GN to discuss any issues that need attention or answers to questions. Please feel free to email us with any questions or concerns that you have, and we will bring these to the attention of the GN and get answers for you.

Please email your questions or concerns to [info@iqaluitchamber.ca](mailto:info@iqaluitchamber.ca) or [execdir@baffinchamber.ca](mailto:execdir@baffinchamber.ca) and we will respond as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



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