

Community Update - April 10, 2020

The Chief Public Health Officer (CPHO) issued two new public health orders today that ban all indoor gatherings, restricts outdoor gatherings, closure of certain businesses and provides measures that mining and oil and gas industries must take to protect public health.

- The CPHO defines a gathering as when any amount of people get together in the same indoor space who don't live in the same household.
- Getting together outdoors is allowed for up to 10 people if social (physical) distance of at least two meters is maintained the entire time.

So what does that mean for the territory? For everyone:

- No visitors inside any home.
- If you're caring for someone, you must limit your time inside their living space as much as you can.
- If you were planning a party, cancel it.
- If a loved one has passed away, you cannot have a funeral. You can hold a burial with immediate family, but not a funeral.
- You will need to keep in touch with your friends by videochat, phone, social media, or group chat for a while.
- No outdoor get-togethers where people stand close together with people who you do not live with. If you have 10 people or less there, you must all keep two metres apart at all times, otherwise it is illegal.
- If you're on-the-land, your tent is the same as being inside a house no visitors. And you must only go out on the land with your household.
- When you're out in public, you must keep two metres away from people at all times
- You can still go for a walk with your friend but you need to keep at least two metres apart the entire time.

Imperial Oil already has the measures outlined in the new public health order for Remote Camps in place.

Full details can be read in the two backgrounder documents attached.

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