

A PAN-CANADIAN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

Since the novel coronavirus emerged, the Public Health Agency of Canada and provincial and territorial public health authorities have been working together to ensure a coordinated approach to slow the spread of the virus and to reduce its impacts on our population—especially the most vulnerable—and on our health system.

Our emergency preparedness and response actions include:



LABORATORY NETWORKS

Using rapidly evolving technologies to develop and enhance nationwide testing capacity for COVID-19.



SURVEILLANCE

Identifying cases and their contacts to track exposures and monitor community spread so that public health authorities can take rapid and targeted action.



RESEARCH

Contributing to global efforts to better understand COVID-19 in order to develop new diagnostic tools, vaccines and treatments.



PUBLIC HEALTH MEASURES

Promoting actions that health care professionals, employers, schools, communities and everyone should take to protect themselves and others from illness, and to slow the spread of the virus—e.g., hand hygiene, cough etiquette, self-isolation and physical distancing.



HEALTH CARE PREPAREDNESS

Mobilizing resources, such as surgical masks, face shields, medications and health care workers across Canada where needed.



COMMUNICATION AND OUTREACH

Providing timely, trusted, accessible and evidence-informed information that Canadians require to protect themselves, their families, their communities and businesses.



BORDER AND TRAVEL HEALTH

Identifying travellers who may be ill, and raising awareness among all travellers entering Canada to isolate for 14 days, monitor for symptoms and take appropriate action if they experience symptoms.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON CORONAVIRUS:

 1-833-784-4397

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