



**YUKON
REGION**

MEMO

Date: March 12, 2020

To: Yukon First Nations

From: AFN Yukon Regional Chief Kluane Adamek

Re: COVID-19 Update – Travel Directive

Please be advised that effective immediately, all in-person Assembly of First Nations (AFN) National Office meetings are to be postponed or cancelled. This includes, but is not limited to, all Chiefs Committees, Tri-Councils, working groups and other public events, whether scheduled to take place within the AFN's offices or at an external venue.

All travel (air, train and intercity bus) by staff, committee members and First Nations guests is also suspended through to March 31, 2020. The AFN National Office is directing each sector to take the appropriate measures and postpone or cancel all pending trips and meeting venues that fall within this time period, even if prior approval was obtained. The AFN National Office will continue to closely monitor the COVID-19 situation and will re-evaluate this suspension once there is clear evidence that the Canadian and global public health emergency has abated. The World Health Organization (WHO) has declared that COVID-19 (Coronavirus Disease) is a pandemic. This is a rapidly evolving situation and regions across Canada could be added to travel advisories with little or no notice. As community transmission increases within Canada and because of the potential impacts this virus could have on First Nation communities, the AFN National Office is seeking to minimize any exposure to our staff and our constituents. The AFN's priority is the health and safety of all our employees and First Nations citizens.

As per the Yukon Chief Medical Officer, if you have travelled recently, it is important to self-monitor for symptoms such as coughing, sneezing and fever. If these symptoms arise it is recommended to contact a health care provider by calling 811 and self-isolate until testing can be completed.

Trusted sources of information:

Chief Medical Officer of Health
[Previous updates on coronavirus](#)

Government of Yukon
[Information about COVID-19 for Yukoners](#)
[Seasonal influenza information](#)
Yukon HealthLine (dial 811)

World Health Organization (WHO)
[COVID-19 outbreak](#)

BC Centre for Disease Control
[Information on coronavirus](#)

Government of Canada
[COVID-19: outbreak update](#)
[COVID-19: travel advice](#)
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