Elim COVID-19

The Native Village of Elim (NVE), Elim Native Corporation (ENC) and the City of Elim (COE) have come together with one goal in mind. Our goal is to reduce the entrance and spread of COVID-19 into the community.

EFFECTIVE: MARCH 25, 2020 AT 11:59PM

There will be no passenger transportation in and out of the village until May 1, 2020. Residents wishing to return home should do so immediately with a MANDATORY TWO WEEK QUARANTINE upon return.

Local agencies will reevaluate the ban three weeks later on April 15, 2020; with no positive cases, we will consider moving to a highly restrictive travel ban.

The following are exceptions to the travel ban:

1. Essential personnel for emergencies (i.e. electricity, water or sewer repairs) with a screening by a travel committee consisting of NVE, COE, and ENC elected members.
2. Essential medical travel and freight:
   a. Norton Sound Health Corporation (NSHC) will need to get important medical supplies in and out of Elim.
   b. Patients will need to travel in and out of Elim.
   c. NSHC medical providers will need to travel in and out of Elim; however, all NSHC medical providers must go through a two-week quarantine prior to coming to Elim.
3. Freight, cargo and mail services are still permitted. Flight crews are asked to stay in aircraft if possible. However, they may conduct any necessary business required by their job or use the bathroom if needed. No local or cargo handlers are allowed on board the aircraft.
   Bering Air
   Ravn
   Ryan Air
   Bering Strait School District

NVE, COE and ENC asks our community members to please be safe and please follow self-quarantine guidelines and social distancing to slow the spread of COVID-19.

- Anyone who has traveled to Elim from OUT OF REGION in the past 14 days must self quarantine until 14 days from the date of travel.
- No large gatherings (10 or more people) will be permitted in the community with further notice; must stay 6 (six) feet away from others for any small gatherings.
- Residents are encouraged to limit visitation to other homes and no loitering in public places.
- Residents should avoid going to the clinic if they are not sick.
- Residents who have symptoms of cough and temperature of 100.4 or higher MUST call the nurse triage line 1-844-586-8773 or 443-6411 to make an appointment to be seen.
- Follow NSHC Elim Clinic protocols.
- No Out-of-town shopping at Elim Native Store.
- Quarantine buildings: Klawerak Early Childhood Education (KECE) Building and Armory.
- Practice good hygiene—wash your hands with soap and water for 20 seconds, use hand sanitizer if no soap/water is available. Wipe down frequently touched surfaces (door knobs, sink handles, phones, countertops, keyboards, etc.) DON'T TOUCH YOUR FACE!


We will update the community as we get more information, and also asking residents to comply with these guidelines/directives to protect the health and safety of our community.

Native Village of Elim
Robert Keith—President

City of Elim:
Paul Nagaruk—Acting Mayor

Elim Native Corporation
Eric Daniels—President

Date
03/24/2020

March 24, 2020

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