



# McLeod Lake Indian Band

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## COVID-19

MLIB Update – April 27, 2020

Dear MLIB Members and Families:

Thank you for continuing to implement social distancing and self-isolating to keep our community and elders safe. It is crucial everyone stay at your own homes and only go out for essential needs.

I am writing to share good news with you. Last Friday, a band member got his COVID-19 test result back, it was **'negative'**. This is really good news for everyone involved. It was a scary reality for the Band; fortunately for us, it was a good outcome. Because of the threat, we need to be vigilant and continue with social distancing and self-isolation. With this information, please keep Blueberry First Nation in your thoughts as their community has confirmed COVID-19 cases and majority of their community members are on lockdown. We do not want this to be a MLIB reality. Stay the course.

However, the Band will continue with the 24/7 Checkpoint Security. The community members have spoken, 'they do not want visitors or non-residence' coming into the community – they fear for their own health and referred to keeping MLIB elders safe. We have directed the security personnel to deny access to non-residence and to all visitors except for the Police, Ambulance, Telus, BChydro and essential staff workers.

The Health and Administration Team continue to provide essential services in terms of food security and COVID-19 communication; we are providing literacy support and assistance to members who are having difficulty apply for COVID-19 Benefits.

Let us know if you are experiencing difficulty getting basic food essentials – we can work with you to ensure you and your family meet your needs. For off-reserve membership – we'd be happy to connect with urban service providers closest to you and set up programs on your behalf.

FYI - For Emergency Contacts please see below:

- Health Team Contacts for Appointments: 250-997-1510
- Health Director, Meaghan Van Somer: 250-851-5172
- Public Works & Housing, EMMML, Jim Fast: 250-997-7544
- Finance Department Enquiries, Kathy Parkinson: 250-750-6843

*Be Safe – Stay Healthy,  
MLIB Administration*