Coronavirus: COVID-19

Current Update - July 17, 2020

As of July 17th, 2020, Canada has a total of 109, 264 confirmed cases of COVID-19. Ontario itself has 37, 163 cases with Toronto having 14, 956 cases.

Toronto man recovering after spending 104 days in ICU with COVID-19

In late March, Bruno Iozzo was one of the first COVID-19 patients admitted to Humber River Hospital in Toronto. He has now been released, and is being treated at a rehab facility in Toronto. Iozzo, a 73-year-old man, spent 104 days in the ICU. He is now feeling much better, and he has been enjoying spending time with family and friends. Doctors and nurses at the hospital have said that they feel encouraged by Iozzo's success, and hope that this story inspires other frontline workers and patients with COVID-19.

Source: https://www.ctvnews.ca/health/coronavirus/it-s-amazing-toronto-man-recovering-after-104-days-in-icu-with-covid-19-1.5026227

Heat warning in effect for Toronto

A heat warning has come into effect today as high temperatures and high humidity are expected to arrive in the city. Environment Canada says that a humid tropical air mass will make its way to Toronto, and stay for the entirety of the weekend. Temperatures are expected to reach mid-thirties during the afternoon, and with humidity they will feel even higher. Make sure to stay hydrated and keep cool this weekend!

If you are in need of cooling off, check out one of Toronto's Cool Spaces. These can be found on this website: <a href="https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-wellness-care/health-programs-advice/hot-weather/cool-spaces-near-you/#location=&lat=&lng="https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-wellness-care/health-programs-advice/hot-weather/cool-spaces-near-you/#location=&lat=&lng="https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-wellness-care/health-programs-advice/hot-weather/cool-spaces-near-you/#location=&lat=&lng="https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-wellness-care/health-programs-advice/hot-weather/cool-spaces-near-you/#location=&lat=&lng="https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-wellness-care/health-programs-advice/hot-weather/cool-spaces-near-you/#location=&lat=&lng="https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-wellness-care/health-programs-advice/hot-weather/cool-spaces-near-you/#location=&lat=&lng="https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-wellness-care/health-programs-advice/hot-weather/cool-spaces-near-you/#location=&lat=&lng="https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-wellness-care/health-programs-advice/hot-weather/cool-spaces-near-you/#location=&lat=&lng="https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-wellness-care/health-programs-advice/hot-weather/hot-weather/hot-weather-you/#location=#https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-wellness-care/health-programs-advice/hot-weather-you/#location=#https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-programs-advice/hot-weather-you/#location=#https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-programs-advice/hot-weather-you/#location=#https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-programs-advice/hot-weather-you/#location=#https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-programs-advice/hot-weather-you/#location=#https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-programs-advice/hot-weather-you/#location=#https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/hot-weather-you/#location=#https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/hot-you/#location=#

Red panda gives birth to two healthy cubs at Toronto Zoo

Earlier this week, a two-year-old panda named Ila gave birth to two healthy cubs at the Toronto Zoo. This is the first time that a panda has been pregnant and given birth at the zoo for 24 years. Red pandas are an endangered species, native to southwestern China and the eastern Himalayas. There are thought to be only 2, 500 to 10, 000 of them left in the wild.

The staff at the zoo are observing the cubs by video camera to ensure that they don't disturb them from nursing. This video can be streamed and watched online, which can be found at this link: https://toronto.citynews.ca/2020/07/17/toronto-zoo-red-panda-cubs/

COVID-19 Pandemic Plan: Lessons Learned Questionnaire

North Yorkers has been actively updating and amending our Pandemic Plan in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. On the homepage of our website, there is a "Lessons Learned" document, where we are asking family members and stakeholders to participate in providing feedback. Please complete the questionnaire to inform us of the areas that were managed well, and areas that could improve as we prepare for a second wave. All responses can be emailed to sarah.nydp@gmail.com by the evening of Thursday July 30th, 2020.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

COVID-19 Mobile Testing Clinic coming to Black Creek neighbourhood on July 18

There will be a COVID-19 mobile testing clinic at the Christian Centre Church, located at 4545 Jane Street (between Finch and Steeles Avenue) on Saturday, July 18, 2020 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

March of Dimes Canada

Managing Caregiving and COVID-19

Date: Wednesday, July 22nd, 2020

Time: 2 - 3:30 pm

Register Online: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/caregiver-project-webinar-managing-caregiving-and-

covid-19-july-22-registration-103827681390

A Practical Perspective on Caregiving

Date: Thursday, July 23rd, 2020

Time: 2 - 3:30 pm

Resgister Online: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/a-practical-perspective-on-family-caregiving-july-23-

registration-103826367460

Ontario Federation for Cerebral Palsy (OFCP)

Nicholas Milojevic Rock 'N' Roll-a-thon

Where: Professor's Lake, Brampton, Ontario

Date: Saturday, September 12, 2020 Time: check-in at 9 am, starts at 10 am

Purchase tickets or make a donation at: https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/ontario-

federation-for-cerebral-palsy/events/nicholas-milojevic-walk-n-roll-a-thon-2/

If you or someone you know uses Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC), and requires resources related to COVID-19, please contact Sarah (sarah.nydp@gmail.com) and she can assist you in accessing and/or creating various communication tools.

If you think you may be experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, take the self-assessment at www.ontario.ca/coronavirus. Follow all directions from your medical provider or your local health unit at the following phone numbers:

Telehealth Ontario: 1-866-797-0000 Toronto Public Health: 416-338-7600 Peel Public Health: 905-799-7700

Durham Region Health Department: 905-668-7711

York Region Public Health: 1-877-464-9675

Please refer back to previous updates as lots of important information has been provided that may still be relevant. If you have any questions or require more information on how you can protect yourself and those around you from the COVID-19 virus, please contact our Outreach Communication Facilitator Sarah, at 416-222-4448 or

sarah.nydp@gmail.com