

## **Indigenous Health Update – March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020**

Indigenous Health is available 7 days week to assist with patient discharges. This includes assistance with communication with First Nation communities, family members, coordinating transportation home, and liaising with federal nursing stations and Transportation Referral Unit/ Indigenous Services Canada.

Please note that flights to northern communities in Manitoba and Nunavut are still available at this time and patients returning to their communities from hospitals will still occur.

Indigenous Health can also support hospital transfers/repatriations to other RHAs and federal hospitals (i.e., Percy E. Moore and Norway House).

Contact Indigenous Health Centralized Support 204-940-8880 to make a referral.

If there are questions about Inuit patients, please contact Kivalliq Inuit Services at 204-989-1020 (for patients returning to Nunavut). While Kivalliq Inuit Centre (boarding home) did close last week, Nunavut nurses are still assisting and patients being housed in hotels.

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