## **Media Release**



## Fourth confirmed death linked to COVID-19 in Timiskaming January 19, 2022 - For immediate release

The Timiskaming Health Unit (THU) is confirming the fourth death linked to COVID-19 in our catchment area. The individual, a man in his 80s, passed away at the Kirkland Lake location of Blanche River Health. Out of respect for the family of the deceased, no further details will be provided.

"As we mourn another member of our community, my thoughts are with the friends and the family of the person who has passed," said Dr. Glenn Corneil, Acting Medical Officer of Health and CEO for the Timiskaming Health Unit. "This is a reminder of the unfortunate effects of COVID-19 and how we all need to keep working together in the fight against it."

THU will continue to work with health care providers, hospitals, long-term care, and the public to minimize the impact of COVID-19 in our communities.

"The pandemic has been going on for two years. Understandably, it has taken a toll and people are tired," said Corneil. "We ask that everyone continue to follow public health measures and be COVID-kind. Be patient with your friends and neighbours, the businesses you visit, and especially people who are ill or vulnerable."

For more information on COVID-19, please go to our <u>COVID-19 webpage</u> or visit the <u>Ontario website</u>.

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