



Mayor's Message on COVID-19
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Hello everyone, week 32 for my messages.

Another grim statistic when Ontario broke more than 1000 COVID-19 cases for the first time this past Sunday.

Across the country over the last seven days an average of 1000 people a day were treated for COVID-19 in Canadian hospitals.

There is no way to sugar coat these statistics, we are facing some tough decisions on just what to do next to get better compliance in following the proven protocols.

COVID fatigue is real, not only in this country but across the world. Virtually everyone by now knows everything they need to know about how to reduce the spread. Getting voluntary compliance has proven to be challenging in larger urban centres where the risks are much greater with a lot of people in relatively cramped quarters.

Within our Sudbury & Area Health Unit we have seen a spike in the last week as well, case numbers now stand at 125, 6 of those this past week.

As I mentioned last week, we continue to do a good job on Manitoulin to prevent this virus from getting a foot hold.

The wearing of masks and maintaining distance is now almost an automatic learned response. We can maintain this approach for as long as necessary as the alternative is not worth the risks.

Thank you,

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