

Provincial response

COVID-19 pandemic

Information for Indigenous communities – May 7, 2020

Last week, Premier Jason Kenney announced a gradual opening of the businesses, services, community areas and other facilities. That plan has come with a lot of questions, especially when it comes to being safe together.

The province needs to meet certain conditions for the province to meet before we can get back to a sense of normal. We need to keep testing people, tracing to be sure it is clear who may have been exposed to COVID-19 and helping people to isolate who have been exposed.

Reopening places like hospitals and hair salons, or shops and schools, also depends on how well we care for each other. We can continue to follow good practices, like these:

- Keeping a 2 metre distance between ourselves and people who live in other homes
- Making sure business owners have personal protective equipment for the staff who need them
- Continuing to practise good hygiene, like coughing and sneezing into our sleeves, washing our hands for 20 seconds and keeping our hands away from our faces

You can read more about how Alberta plans to reopen at <https://www.alberta.ca/alberta-relaunch-strategy.aspx>.

Taking care of finances

Please visit [alberta.ca/COVID](https://www.alberta.ca/COVID) for information about the programs and services that may help you through this time.

Or, find information about how to recover after flood at <https://www.alberta.ca/flood-recovery.aspx>

Some registry services available remotely

Registry agents can help you order the following items or services by phone, secure email, fax or mail:

- One year driver's license or ID card renewal
- Driver's license and ID card replacement or cancellation
- Vehicle registration renewal

- Duplicate vehicle registration certificate
- Replacement expiry date stickers for license plates
- Driver abstracts
- Specialty plate orders

Read more about registry services

<https://www.alberta.ca/coronavirus-info-for-albertans.aspx>

Funds for evacuated people

Residents of northern Alberta communities who were under a mandatory evacuation order due to floods may be eligible for an evacuation emergency payment of \$1,250 for each adult and \$500 for each child younger than 18 years.

Apply online

<https://www.alberta.ca/flood-recovery.aspx>

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Apply for Site Rehabilitation Program

Eligible oil and gas services companies can now apply for grant funding to do abandonment and reclamation work on oil and gas sites in Alberta. The first round of grants will be open until May 31.

[Read more and apply online](#)

<https://www.alberta.ca/site-rehabilitation-program.aspx>

Caring for each other

Resources are available all day, every day.

New tracing app to help prevent the spread

The ABTraceTogether app is a free, voluntary and secure way to help with contact tracing. Those who download the app will help Alberta Health Services to do contact tracing – figuring out who may have been exposed to the COVID-19 virus. Only you can decide if you want to share your data if you have tested positive for COVID-19.



Video on YouTube at https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=1&v=Sp0-8Ro2d-4&feature=emb_logo

Download the ABTraceTogether app

- Apple Store: <https://apps.apple.com/ca/app/abtracetgether/id1508213665>
- Google Play: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=ca.albertahealthservices.contacttracing>

Alberta Supports

Alberta Supports contact centres have stayed open services accessible by phone or online. Monthly benefits continue to be provided to Albertans accessing AISH and Income Support.

The Alberta government will exempt part of the Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB) as income for AISH and Income Support recipients.

[Click or call for support](#)

- Click on <https://myalbertasupports.alberta.ca/CitizenPortal/application.do>
- Call 1-877-644-9992 toll free from anywhere in Alberta. Call 1-800-232-7215 for TTY numbers and ask for Alberta Supports

Sexual Violence Awareness Month

May is Sexual Violence Awareness Month in Alberta, and we recognize that emergency situations increase the risk. Experiencing sexual violence can severely affect a survivor's physical and mental well-being, but there is hope for healing with positive supports:

- Find a sexual assault centre near you <https://aasas.ca/get-help/>
- Find a women's shelter: <https://acws.ca/shelters>
- End a tenancy without financial penalty when fleeing family violence: <https://www.alberta.ca/safer-spaces-certificate.aspx>

Flood and fire information

Get the latest information about fires in Alberta by visiting <https://wildfire.alberta.ca/>. River flooding information is available online at <https://rivers.alberta.ca/>. Or, to stay connected to any local emergency, download the free Alberta Emergency Alert app:

- Apple Store: <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/alberta-emergency-alert/id887604348>
- Google Play: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=ca.ab.gov.aea>

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