



Vigilance required as 6th Wave Declared

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(Kahnawake – 30, Enniskó:wa/March 2022) The Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre Public Health Department and the Public Safety Commission would like to remind the community to remain vigilant now that we have officially entered the 6th wave of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The number of positive cases has been on the rise in Kahnawà:ke for several weeks now; however, it has recently been confirmed that this trend is the same in surrounding communities. Therefore, we urge community members to maintain safe Public Health practices in order to protect themselves and their loved ones.

Although the Ba2 sub-variant appears to be milder than variants before this, immunocompromised individuals, the elderly, and those with uncontrolled chronic health conditions remain the most at risk. Decreasing transmission serves to protect our vulnerable population as much as possible, considering the relaxed measures throughout the world at the current time.

Despite the increase in cases, Public Safety and Public Health confirm that there are no expected upcoming community-wide increases in measures. However, we ask that community members take precautions at the current time in order to minimize the spread of COVID-19, protect the most vulnerable, and protect our essential service workers.

Most importantly, if you are sick, please stay home until symptoms, especially fever, are gone so that you can protect those around you.

The most up-to-date local Public Health Measures can be [found here](#).

Public Health recommends that individuals use their judgment, and knowledge to determine their acceptable level of risk in their daily lives.