

MUNICIPALITY OF KILLARNEY

CORONAVIRUS / COVID-19 UPDATE

PUBLIC NOTICE #2

As indicated in our first public notice issued on March 20, 2020, we advised you that we would continue to monitor the situation and update you as required. The critical situation surrounding the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) remains a major concern across the globe and remains a pandemic. The Province of Ontario remains in a State of Emergency as declared on March 17th, 2020. Further, all municipal closures remain in place in order to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in the hopes of keeping you all safe and virus free.

Your Council and staff continue to closely monitor the outbreak of COVID-19, we are focused on the health and safety of everyone, but particularly our permanent residents, staff as well as the entire Municipality.

We remain committed to providing you with important information as this serious virus continues to evolve – as there are no signs of it going away anytime soon.

We appreciate and understand that this is an incredibly challenging period for all and we ask that everyone respect the best practices put in place by both the Federal and Provincial Governments to minimize the transmission of COVID-19.

The Municipality continues to reinforce that everyone **MUST** remain vigilant during this unprecedented time and by doing so, are optimistic we will maintain a safe community.

Further, many believe this virus affects only the elderly, but COVID-19 has proven it favours no particular age – it is extremely dangerous for ALL age groups. Please refer to the attached demographic chart.

Therefore, in order to continue to keep our community safe and free of this deadly virus we again want to emphasize that you:

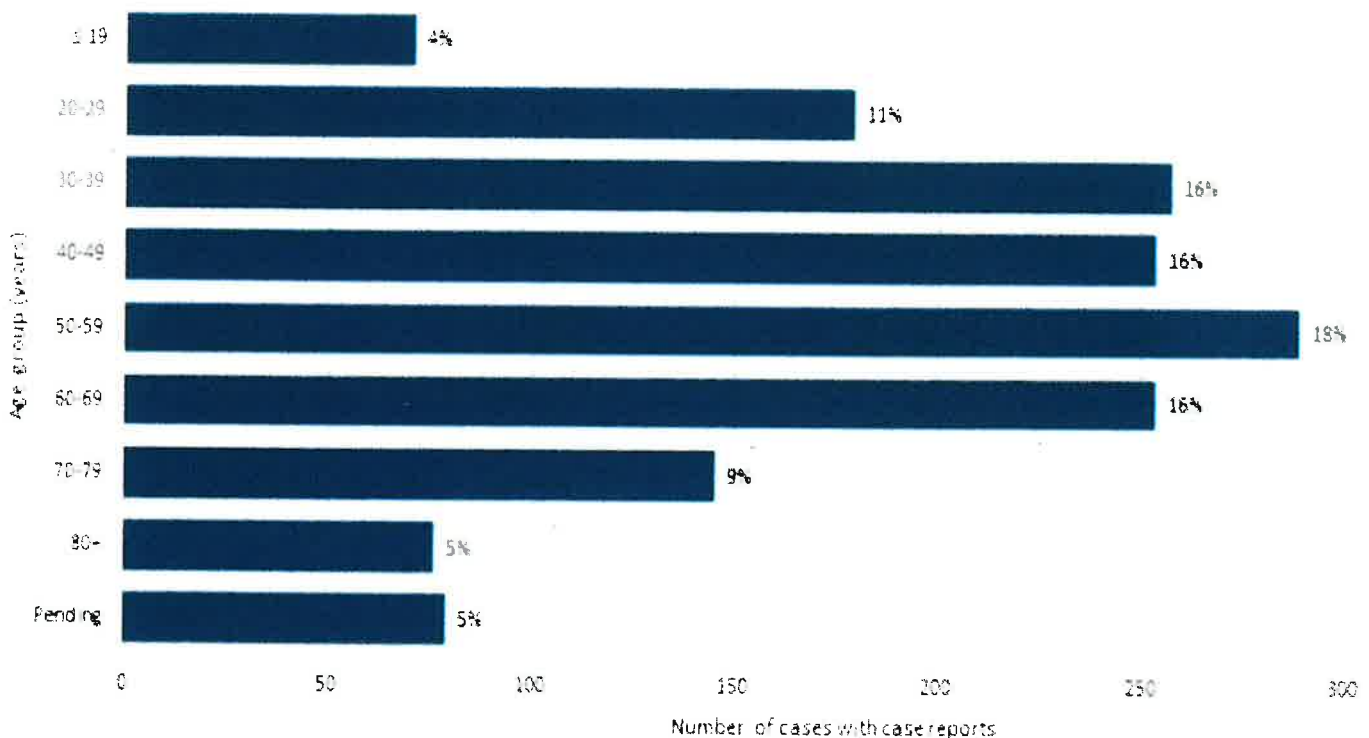
- ~ **MUST stay home;**
- ~ **MUST limit visitors** (*not only from town but family and friends from out of town. Some people may be carriers of the virus and not have any symptoms*).
Therefore, it is strongly recommended that friends, family, and relatives not travel to the community at this time to further protect the community;
- ~ **MUST employ proper hygiene protocols and wash your hands often;**
- ~ **MUST not visit the Killarney Health Centre** (*call first and make an appointment*);
- ~ **MUST practice social distancing** - (*avoid crowded spaces and stay two metres apart from others*);
- ~ **MUST self isolate for 10-14 days under the following circumstances:**
 1. All travellers returning from out of country or high-risk areas in Canada.
 2. If you experience symptoms – cough, shortness of breath, fever etc.
 3. If you come in contact with another person who has the COVID-19 virus.

DEMOGRAPHIC CHART:

The Coronavirus is not limited to infecting older populations. Young people can also be infected and suffer severe symptoms and complications. The chart below (*Source – Government of Canada*), demonstrates that all age groups are impacted by this illness.

Of the COVID-19 cases reported in Canada to date, approximately half (53%) are male. Approximately one third (30%) of cases are 60 years old and over.

Age Distribution of COVID-19 cases (n=1,602) in Canada as of March 25, 2020. 11 am EDT



MUNICIPAL WEBSITE:

Additional information on COVID-19 can be located on the home page of the website at www.municipalityofkillarney.ca

We will continue to monitor the situation and update you as required.

At this critical time, we need the cooperation of everyone in order to keep our community protected.

~ Please Stay Safe and Healthy ~

The Municipality of Killarney