



**JAMES SMITH CREE NATION**  
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## COVID 19 RESPONSE PLAN

**On March 16, 2020 The Joint Chiefs and Councils of the James Smith Cree Nation instituted emergency planning and preparations in response to the COVID 19 outbreak. \*\*\*Please do not Panic\*\*\* All staff and leadership are working hard to update and incorporate the community PANDEMIC PLAN as our official response to this unprecedented event and Crisis.**

The following immediate precautions are invoked:

**March 17, 2020** Bernard Constant Community School Closure, all classes suspended until further notice. Daycare and Head-start immediately Closed. All non-essential Travel is cancelled. All home cooked food sales are closed.


All Elders programs and community events Cancelled indefinitely. (ex.weddings & bingos ect)

**March 19, 2020** - JSCN Band Operations shut down and all JSCN staff reassigned to Emergency Pandemic Response duties. The Main Command Centre is identified as the Margaret Turner Memorial Health Clinic. Community Pandemic implementation in progress.

Community wide Curfew in effect from 11pm to 6am each day.  
Security will be initiated immediately.

The Leadership and our Pandemic Committee appreciate your cooperation during this crisis and the best way to avoid infection is social distancing, self-isolation and disinfection. Further we would like to reassure each and every band member that we as First Nations people have persevered for thousands and thousands of years, we survived SMALL POX, we survived the 1918 Spanish Flu, and in modern times we survived H1N1; and we will survive through COVID 19. Finally \*\*\*There is currently no cases of COVID 19 in JSCN\*\*\* all our measures are precautionary at this time!

The Pandemic Plan is available on the JSCN website at: [www.jamesmithcreenation.com](http://www.jamesmithcreenation.com)

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