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PUBLIC ADVISORY

Restrictions to hospital entrances

The health and safety of Labrador-Grenfell Health patients and staff continues to be our priority throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

Effective March 28, 2020, Labrador-Grenfell Health is restricting access to one entryway only in the following facilities until further notice:

	Entryway Before 10:00 p.m.	Entryway After 10:00 p.m.
Labrador West Health Centre	 Emergency Department entrance 	Emergency Department entrance
Labrador Health Centre	Main entrance	Emergency Department entrance
Charles S. Curtis Memorial Hospital	 Main entrance (Rotunda) 	Emergency Department entrance

Labrador-Grenfell Health will have screeners at these entryways between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. who will be asking questions and directing flow. Please respect social distancing measures, answer questions and follow instructions provided. After 10:00 p.m., the Emergency Department staff will be available to support you.

We encourage the public to call ahead before visiting our facilities, including visits to the Emergency Department.

These restrictions are necessary to ensure appropriate screening and safety measures are taken for the public and staff to limit the spread of respiratory illness, including COVID-19.

If you require an ambulance, please call 911 and ensure you advise of:

- Travel history
- If you had contact with someone confirmed with COVID-19
- If you're in self-isolation
- If you have fever, cough or shortness of breath

To help reduce the spread of illness:

- Wash your hands often.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes.
- Avoid touching nose, eyes and mouth.
- Stay at home if you are sick.
- Keep a minimal distance of 2 metres between people (social distancing).

Please check our website regularly for updates on Labrador-Grenfell Health services including current restrictions in place at all our facilities. (www.lghealth.ca/latest-news)

We would like to thank the public for their ongoing support and cooperation during this difficult time. We must all work together to protect the safety of our communities.

For more information and regular updates on COVID-19, please visit the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador website at www.gov.nl.ca/covid-19.