

Wahnapitae First Nation Community Newsletter

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November 2021

P2: Vaccine QR Shortcuts



Learn how to save Ontario's new vaccine certificate to your smartphone in a few easy steps.

P4: Member Poem

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A WFN member shares a poem inspired by Every Child Matters.

P14: Drum Stick Knowledge



Members learned to make drum sticks at a Oct. 17 event.

P16: Bear Fat Rendering



Learn how to process and render bear fat at a WFN-hosted workshop on Nov. 4.







A Message to Members

As the holidays start to approach and public health restrictions continue to lift, our thoughts begin to turn away from safety measures and protections. Instead, we start to think of gatherings with friends and family, offering us an end to this long, difficult period of lockdowns and limitations.

However, we must be mindful that COVID is still among us. If you plan to attend any get-togethers in the coming weeks and months, please continue to stay safe: practice social distancing, wear a mask, and keep washing your hands. We are nearing the end of this dark tunnel, and visiting and celebrating with others in a mindful way will help to keep our spirits bright.

Safety isn't the only thing to keep in mind this month: Remembrance Day is the one day of the year that the world pauses its busy pace to reflect on the ultimate sacrifice made by so very many for people they would never meet or know. On November 11, please take a moment to remember those who served for us – for our peace and prosperity. Though not spoken about widely, Canadian First Nations members have served in every major conflict over the last century, and our veterans, our active peacekeepers, and their families deserve a moment of quiet contemplation.

Let's all offer our thoughts and prayers to all of them, and especially to those who didn't make it home.

Miigwetch, Chief Larry Roque

COVID-19 UPDATES

COVID-19 Statistics

(as of November 1, 2021)

Sudbury District: Total Tests: 306 185

Confirmed Cases: 2 834

Resolved: 2 622 Deaths: 32

Fully vaxxed: 123 459

Ontario:

Total Tests: 18,981,582 Total Cases: 600,377 Resolved: 587,344 Deaths: 9,874 Hospitalized: 134

In ICU: 133

Fully vaxxed: 11,022,859

Canada:

Total Tests: 46,092,234
Total Cases: 1,712,128
Active Cases: 25,227
Recovered: 1,657,949

Deaths: 28.952

Fully vaxxed: 29,613,930

For up-to-date figures, check:

Sudbury:

tinyurl.com/phsddata

Ontario:

covid-19.ontario.ca/data

Canada:

tinyurl.com/canadacvd19

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Vaccine QR Code Now Available

Vaccine certificates with your personal QR code are now available for all Ontarians to download. This new certificate is a new official document to use when you require to show proof of vaccination.









This way is much quicker and easier to use as you can save it to your phone. This QR code can also be printed as well for those without smartphones.

Smartphone Downloaded

In order to get the electronic version simply go to: https://covid-19.ontario.ca/get-proof/ and enter your Health card, date of birth, and postal code information. You will receive your new official receipt, which you can save to your phone.

iPhones

Save QR code to Apple Health

Only iPhones running iOS 15 or later can save the QR code to Apple Health at this time. After you've downloaded and opened your enhanced vaccine certificate on your desktop computer:

- 1. Open your iPhone camera.
- 2. Point the camera at the QR code. Once the QR code is in focus and centered on your screen, your phone will scan it automatically.
- 3. Once it scans the code, save it to your Apple Health.

Printed Version

In order to get a paper copy of your certificate you follow the same steps. Once you receive your new official receipt, which you can print a paper copy. It is recommended that you laminate your QR code to prevent damaging it.

Stay Connected, Stay Safe

or the most up-to-date information and updates about Wahnapitae First Nation, including safety measures, check us out online as below:



WEBSITE: www.wahnapitaefirstnation.com

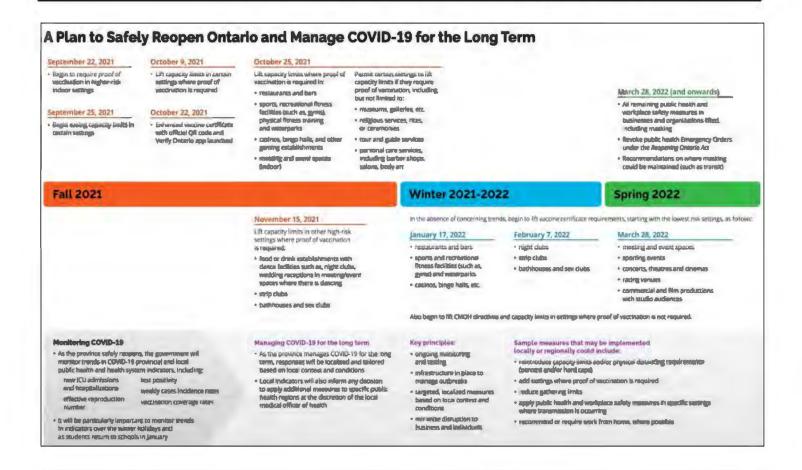


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YOUTH PAGE: www.fb.me/WFNYouthPage

COVID-19 & NIHB UPDATES



Non-Insured Health Benefits program updates (NIHB)

October 2021 Update

Positive Airway Pressure (PAP) equipment update

Updates to the Non-Insured Health Benefits program (NIHB) were made this October. The changes made now includes CPAP And Positive Airway Pressure (PAP) equipment. NIHB now provides coverage of CPAP, BPAP and ventilator devices and supplies listed on the medical supplies and equipment respiratory benefits list.

Additional updates included the recall of certain Philips Respironics CPAP, BPAP and ventilator devices. Clients who use this machine were contacted in the July 2021 program update and advised them to contact their provider for assistance with the process for repair and replacement of their device through Philips Respironics. If you have any further questions, you should contact your provider for assistance.

New Pharmacy benefit listings

Redesca and Inclunox (enoxaparin sodium) are now listed as open benefits with prior approval not required. These medications are used to treat and prevent deep vein thrombosis and pulmonary embolism. These medications are biosimilar, meaning they have been found to work in a same way with similar effectiveness.

Check the NIHB program updates page here: https://tinyurl.com/47jxwdpu

MEMBER SUBMISSION

Every Child Matters by Marlene Roque

Finally I have been found!
They dug my bones up out of the ground.
For years there seemed to be no one around,
My life so silent, so muted, no sound.

Caged forever like some unwanted pet, Hidden away as if trying to forget, That I existed and yearned to be seen, Like you, like everyone, a human being.

Instead I faded from humanity,
Became invisible because of the depravity.
Hope taken with every blow,
I felt my heart weaken and begin to slow.

Would anyone care if I died?
Did anyone care when I cried?
Is anyone coming to rescue me?
Did anyone ever try to set me free?
Lost in the senselessness of the crime,
I'm lost in a world where there's just no time.
Too many to count who are just like me,
Trapped and waiting, praying to be

Taken from a life we did not choose,
Hoping against hope that we won`t lose
This fight to live, this fight to survive,
So many like me who never made it out alive.

Will someone go and look for them?
Will their names be remembered in a requiem?
Or has this world become too busy to see,
The forgotten children who, just like me

Wanted to be a kid, to run and play,
To have a childhood, to have a say.
We are the souls who cry out from the ground,
All we ever wanted was just to be found!

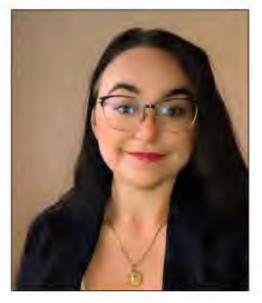
HUMAN RESOURCES UPDATE

Meet Taylor Bertrim

Anii! My name is Taylor Bertrim, and I am the new Communications Assistant for Wahnapitae First Nation. My family is from Sharbot Lake, a community north of Kingston, Ontario. My father is a member of the Shabot Obaadjiwan First Nation. However, I was born and raised in Sudbury.

This June, I graduated from Cambrian College with an advanced diploma in Public Relations. Going to Cambrian gave me lots of hands-on experience.

While completing my diploma, I had the opportunity to work closely with the college's marketing team. This gave me plenty of experience with producing newsletters,



managing social media, and creating marketing pieces, including video production, script writing, etc.

I am very much a homebody. Some activities that I like to do in my spare time are teaching myself how to bead and going to the gym.

If I am not at the gym or beading, you can find me teaching myself a new language.

I am very honoured to be able to work at Wahnapitae First Nation. I hope to make a positive difference to the community and to continue learning and growing during my time here.



TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES



1 Ceasar Road, Sudbury, Ontario 705-674-1444 or 1-866-NCA-GRAD northernconstructionacademy.com



Born from the need for training in Northern Ontario; one of Northern Construction Academy's priorities is to lessen the skills gap by providing training that will allow students to succeed at a career in the Construction, Transportation Training Industries.

Program and Course Offerings

DZ Truck Training MELT Z Truck Training AZ Truck Training Four Piece Heavy Equipment + MELT Z

Four Piece Heavy Equipment Heavy Equipment Articulated Truck Operator Bulldozer (TTT) Operator Grader Operator

Common Core Surface Miner Airbrakes

Backhoe Operator **Excavator Operator** Loader Operator

Transportation of Dangerous Goods Generic First Line Supervisory Common Core

NEW PROGRAMS STARTING EVERY MONDAY

Can't find what you are looking for? Call us today and let us see what we can do!



Corporate & Group Training Available



Registered as a Private Career College under the Private Career Colleges Act, 2005.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

NALOXONE TRAINING

Learn how to recognize the signs of an opioid overdose and take the proper steps to save a life.

Friday, November 19, 2021 10 to 11AM Maan Doosh Gamig Training provided by Reseau Access Network



In 2017, approximately 11 lives were lost each day because of opioid overdoses.

Increased naloxone (Narcan) access and training is a key tool for preventing overdose deaths.

Register by November 17 by calling Heather at (705) 858-7700



Monday, December 5 3 to 6 PM Maan Doosh Gamig



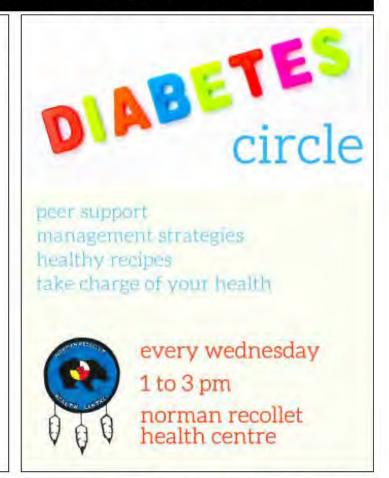
Elders aged 55+ must reserve their seat by Monday, November 27

Contact Wendy or Heather (705) 858-7700

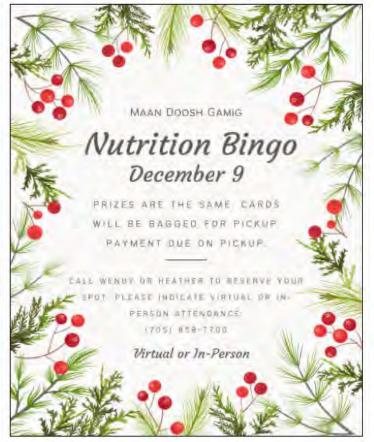
Leash & Scoop



Help keep Wahnapitae First Nation clean and friendly.







COMMUNITY UPDATES

Learning About Drum Sticks

embers of WFN were able to learn about drum culture and process during a Drum Stick Workshop on October 17.

Held at Maan Doosh Gamig, this event featured teachings led by Vera Coulombe, and

her knowledge and wisdom was greatly appreciated by all.

Many thanks to all who attended. We can't wait to see the results from the second Drum Workshop.

















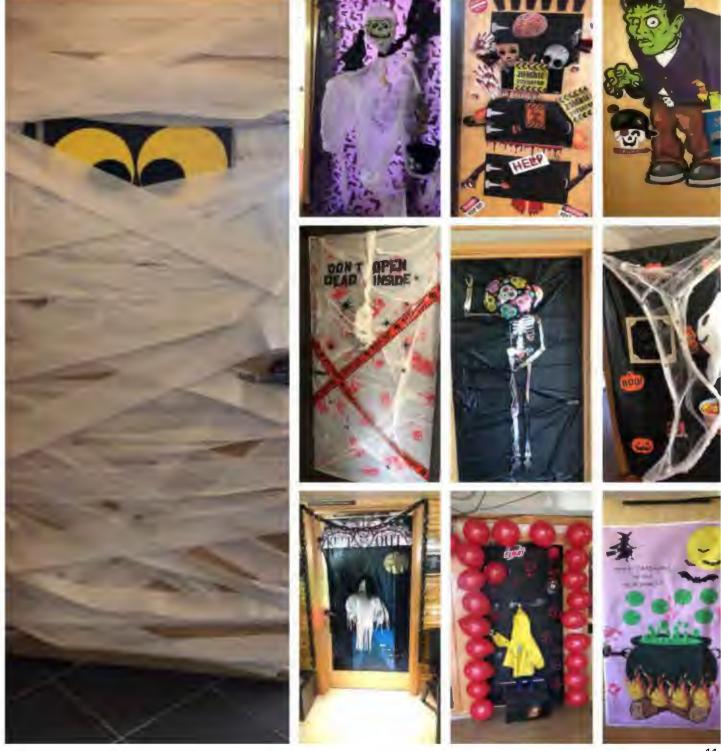


COMMUNITY UPDATES

Spooky Celebrations at WFN

Visitors to WFN's Band Office on October 28 were welcomed by some spooky sights, as WFN staff decorated their doors with Hallowe'en themes.

This door decorating contest saw staff members team and compete to create the best seasonal scares.



TRADITIONAL TEACHINGS

MAKING MEDICINES Recepting traditions alive

TEACHING THE RENDERING OF BEAR
FAT AND MAKING MINIGAN



With Perry McLeod-Shabogesic at WFN Centre of Excellence

Please dress according to the weather - these teachings will be outside

RENDERING THE BEAR FAT THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4 12-5 PM MAKING THE MEDICINE MINIGAN TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9 12-5 PM

Members of the WFN Youth Group are invited to attend each session from 3:30 to 5 PM.

Covid-19 guidelines will be followed.

For more information and to register by November 3. please contact Line at (705) 858-7700

Lunch and snacks will be provided.

Prizes will be awarded throughout each session.

TRADITIONAL TEACHINGS

KEEPING TRADITIONS ALIVE

TRADITIONAL CORN-HARVESTING WORKSHOP

TEACHING BY DAN KIMEWON



Saturday, November 20 10AM to 4PM At WFN Centre of Excellence Dinner Provided

Registration required by November 16. Call Line at (705) 858-7700 to confirm your spot.

Please dress according to weather conditions as this teaching will take place outside.

There will be prizes throughout the session!

COMMUNITY EVENTS



INTRODUCTION TO BEADING & MOCCASINS SERIES

Please join us for on introductory beading and maccasin workshop. Participants will complete a pair of maccasins with beading by the end of the series.

Participants must attend all workshops in order learn different beading techniques and camplete their moccasins.

Teachings by Julia Pegahmagabow

Workshops:

6 PM to 8:30 PM Maan Doosh Gamig

Wednesday, November 10 & 17 Wednesday, December 1 & 8 Wednesday, January 12, 19, & 26 Wednesday, February 2

Registration required by November 5, 2021 to ensure adequate supplies.

Please contact Tammy Chevrette to register via email at tammy.chevretteewahnapitaefn.com or by phone at 705-920-9488.

COMMUNITY EVENTS









MMIWG2S+

TREE OF HOPE:

Tree lighting ceremony in rememberance of our MMIWG2S+

Contact Info: Sgt. Josh Rickard 705-675-9171 ext. 2611 joshua.rickard@gsps.ca

Sunday, November 14th, 2021. 6-7:30pm 190 Brady Street (Greater Sudbury Police Service)

6:00 Prayer, Smudge, drumming

6:15 Dignitaries: Chief of Police Paul Pedersen, Wahnapitae FN Gimaa Roque, Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Gimaa Nootchtai

6:25 Speakers: Nokomis Martina Ozawamick, Tanya Debassige (FILU), Marie Meawasige (NNFC)

7:00 Tree Lighting

COVID-19 safety protocols will be followed. -Masks are mandatory when social distancing can not be maintained.

Refreshments provided by Kuppajo Espresso Bar Star provided by students from St-Charles College































PROGRAM IS BACK!





Starting Tuesday, November 9, 2021 Every Tuesday at 9:30-11:30am Location: Gazebo



BRING YOUR LITTLE ONES AND YOURSELF TO LEARN AND PLAY.

For children aged 3 and under
To register please contact Natalie Goring, Healthy Babies Healthy Children Worker,
at natalie.goring@wahnapitaefn.com.



Snacks will be provided



WFN's Early Years Program is back!

Bring your kids and yourself to learn, play and laugh.

Starting Tuesday, November 9, 2021 Every Tuesday from 3:30-5:30pm

Location: Gazebo

OPEN to WFN families with children aged 4 to 6
To register, contact:
Natalie Goring,
Healthy Babies Healthy Children Worker
natalie.goring@wahnapitaefn.com

Snacks will be provided

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

November

2021

After School & Youth Leadership Program



Sorting	Mornies	Tuelday	Windyconty	Thirmly	Friday	Satirday
	ASP We Are All marty People 3:30:5:30PM		ASP The Gift of Giving 3:30 5:30PM	YLP Rendering Bear Fat with Perry McLeod 3:30 5:30PM	5	
	ASP S1EM Challenges 3:30-5:30PM	YLP Making the Medicine Minigen @ MDG HaB	ASP Planting Honesty with Lyndiay 3 30 5:30PM	NO PROGRAM BAND OFFICE CLOSED	14	
_	ASP Malong Moccanins With Tammy ^a 3:30-5:30PM	48	ASP The Gift of Giving Cont'd 3:30 5:30PM	YLP Listening to Your Physical Self 3 30 5:30PM	31/	
	ASP Music & Dance Party 3:30:530PM	-31	ASP Parsonal Shepard's 3:30-5:30PM	YLP Mental Wellness 3:30 5:30PM	эE	
	ASP Nature Walk & Scavenger Hunt 3:30 5:30PM	30				

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WFN EVENT CALENDAR - NOV 2021

Please be sure to use this calendar as your official reminder for these events, and to help plan your month.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	Soup's On Sue Chartrand Boys Drum Group	3 Diabetes Circle	4 Congregate Dinning Nutrition Bingo Bear Fat Workshop	5 CLOSED	6
7	8	9 Soup's On Boys Drum Group Tiny Tots Medicine Minigan Early Year Program	Diabetes Circle Order Good Food Box Beading Workshop	11	12 CLOSED	13
14	15	16 Soup's On Sue Chartrand Boys Drum Group Tiny Tots Early Year Program	Diabetes Circle Pick up: Good Food Box Beading Workshop	18 Nutrition Bingo	19 CLOSED Naloxone Training	20 CLOSED Hominy Corn Workshop
21	22	23 Soup's On Boys Drum Group Tiny Tots Early Year	Diabetes Circle Healthy Recipe of the Month	25	26 CLOSED	27
28	29	30 Soup's On Sue Chartrand Boy Drum Group Tiny Tots				