MEMO

Date: March 26, 2020
To: RHA CEOs
From: Dr. Brent Roussin
Chief Provincial Public Health Officer
Lanette Siragusa, Provincial Lead
Health System Integration & Quality,
Chief Nursing Officer, Shared Health

Re: COVID-19 Central Intake Process to Meet Information Needs

Provincial Information Management & Analytics (PIMA) has established a central intake process to support data, information, and reporting needs related to COVID-19.

A new monitored email address for contacting PIMA has been created: PIMA@gov.mb.ca

PIMA will be playing a coordination role to ensure standardized, accurate, and timely data is available to support provincial COVID-19 efforts. PIMA will also be providing central coordination of reporting for Incident Command.

We are asking that all requests for information related to COVID-19 and submissions of data in support of COVID-19 reporting be sent directly to the PIMA email address for processing.

To assist PIMA in helping to coordinate provincial information needs in support of COVID-19, the following should be sent to PIMA@gov.mb.ca:
- All requests for data, information, reports, or dashboards to be created or shared.
- Copies of any regular reports that are currently being produced and shared.
- Communications related to new or changed COVID-19 data collection practices (whether through automated systems or manual processes); these will be assessed by PIMA for impact on existing or new sources of data and feasibility of bringing the data into a Provincial Data Repository.
- Communications of changes in processes that may impact the quality or meaning of data that is collected for COVID-19 reporting and surveillance purposes.

Please note that all PIMA reports will be distributed from this email address.

We thank you for your cooperation. Any questions you may have may also be sent to PIMA@gov.mb.ca