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## CORONAVIRUS: NO CASE OF THE NEW CORONAVIRUS FOR THE MOMENT IN QUEBEC

**Kuujjuaq, January 29, 2020** – The Public Health Department of the Nunavik Regional Board of Health and Social Services (NRBHSS) is informing the population that there are currently no cases of coronavirus in Quebec.

The NRBHSS also states that all necessary measures are taken to detect cases -in the region and that a committee is in place monitor the situation.

Dr. Marie Rochette, Director of Public Health at the NRBHSS, mentioned: "Presently, the region is not at a high-risk level and the current efforts are preventive measures. The goal is to equip ourselves with the means to quickly identify cases that could arise in our region and take the necessary measures to deal with it".

At the World level, the situation is changing rapidly, which is why the NRBHSS works closely with the Ministry of Health and Social Services (MSSS). The organization ensures the implementation of case surveillance measures as well as care procedures in health centers with concerned workers.

## Highlights:

- Several measures are deployed by the MSSS to protect the population and instructions are relayed to the health network;
- Note that the overall risk for Canadians remains low;
- If the situation in Quebec changes, information to this effect will be disseminated;
- Travelers from China who have visited the Wuhan region and have symptoms (fever, cough, difficulty breathing, etc.) are obliged to contact their CLSC.

For more information: <a href="https://www.quebec.ca/en/health/health-issues/a-z/2019-coronavirus/">https://www.quebec.ca/en/health/health-issues/a-z/2019-coronavirus/</a>

The Nunavik Regional Board of Health and Social Services is a public agency created in 1978 under the James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement. It is responsible for nearly the entire Quebec territory located north of the 55th parallel in terms of the provision of health and social services for the inhabitants of the 14 communities.

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