

Application of these measures required the collaboration of the Nunavik Regional Board of Health and Social Services, the *ministère de la Santé et Services sociaux* and the Montréal hospitals involved.

Other Public-Health Measures

The Nunavik Department of Public Health recommends BCG vaccination for all newborns and children under the age of two years in the community of Kangiqsualujjuaq. However, the supply of BCG vaccines has been interrupted. Once the vaccine manufacturer resumes supplying BCG doses, we will proceed with the vaccination of children without further delay.

The Department of Public Health set forth recommendations and provided specific information destined for the workers who will be arriving in the community over the next few weeks. We do not recommend BCG vaccination for these workers or even the application of the tuberculin skin test before their arrival, as the degree of contact with the local population is very limited.

No restrictions in terms of travel between the Nunavik communities have been established and no screening is indicated, barring a specific public-health recommendation.

Upcoming Steps

As long as the present outbreak persists, these sustained efforts will continue from the points of view of surveillance and intervention. In the coming weeks and months, the Nunavik Department of Public Health plans on designing a program for preventing and controlling tuberculosis for the entire region.

Additional Information

Refer to our communiqué dated May 9, 2012, by clicking [here](#).

*The NRBHSS is a public agency created in 1978 under the **James Bay and Northern Québec Agreement**. It is responsible for nearly the entire Québec territory located north of the 55th parallel in terms of the provision of health services and social services for the inhabitants of the 14 communities.*

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