



Public Service Announcement

Virtual site assessments for local businesses and organizations to prevent the spread of COVID-19

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In a continued effort to keep its residents, community groups, and local business safe, the City of Iqaluit will be offering Virtual Site Assessments to community groups and businesses through the Canadian Red Cross Epidemic and Infection Prevention and Control specialists.

Virtual Site Assessments (VSA) are virtual walkthroughs of your space, using the Zoom video sharing platform. Virtual sharing facilitates a greater understanding of the space you have, what you have done or are planning to do with the space to limit the spread of COVID-19. The costs of the Virtual Site Assessments are covered by the City of Iqaluit – there is no cost to your business or organization. Ultimately, the goal of the VSA is to ensure all those who use the spaces we walk through together are as safe as they can be during the COVID-19 Pandemic. A Virtual Site Assessment takes 30 to 90 minutes.

If you have copies of your building floor plans (hand drawn plans work too!), current COVID policies or procedures, and building occupation numbers you can submit these as well to give the Canadian Red Cross a better understanding of the building layout and size. Following the assessment, The Canadian Red Cross will send you a confidential report with recommendations and resources to help you with your infection control measures.

If your workplace or community group would like to take part in a Virtual Site Assessment or if you have any additional questions about this initiative please contact Geoffrey Byrne at 867-979-5619 or g.byrne@iqaluit.ca. Space is limited.