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UPDATE ON COVID-19 FOR THE OUTAOUAIS AREA

Gatineau, March 24 2020 – The CISSS de l'Outaouais confirms today 12 cases of COVID-19 in the urban areas of the region. For each case, the Public health department is conducting rigorous investigations in order to establish every contact they've had. Our organization is mobilized in efforts to limit the spread of COVID-19.

To this day, we have conducted 1 480 screening tests and we are waiting on 585 results. We would like to thank all the staff working at the COVID-19 screening clinic which conducts a large volume of tests on a daily basis and are an important support in pandemic management for the CISSS de l'Outaouais.

The CISSS de l'Outaouais would like to reassure its employees during this pandemic crisis. We understand that some of them are worried about the risks associated with COVID-19. We are taking all the necessary measures in order to protect and support our employees during this period. Indeed, managers or professionals will be there for them 24 hours a day to support them during this crisis.

To learn more on the coronavirus, the population is invited to visit quebec.ca/coronavirus.

People with concerns about COVID-19 can contact Services Québec at the following information line: 819-644-4545.

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