

To Manitoba Agricultural Societies

Given the recently confirmed cases in Manitoba and the increasing preventative measures locally/nationwide/worldwide regarding COVID-19, MAAS would like to share with you the following list of sites to receive up-to-date and accurate information regarding the latest advice and requirement from government and health agencies.

Given the rapidly evolving circumstance around COVID-19 we feel this is the best possible way to provide you with access to the information important to all ag societies during this time.

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid-19.html>

<https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/coronavirus/>

<https://www.who.int/news-room/q-a-detail/q-a-coronaviruses>

<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public>

In addition Canadian Association of Fairs and Exhibitions has made the following statement:

1. First and foremost, ensure the information you are receiving is credible. Credible resources include the World Health Organization (WHO), Health Canada and your own provincial health departments (links below).
2. As an individual, follow normal safety guidelines during flu season (wash your hands frequently and properly, cover coughs and sneezes, stay home if you are sick).
3. At your upcoming events, consider adding more signage related to sanitary practices including signs on how to wash your hands properly, additional sanitizer stations, etc.
4. Contact your insurance company to understand the implications for cancelling any events you may have.

CAFE has 10"x10" signs available in English and French at \$4 each for members promoting hand washing. To purchase, please contact office@canadian-fairs.ca

As pertinent news and information updates, especially applicable to fairs, exhibitions and events, become available, we will keep you updated. If you have any concerns or need help, do not hesitate to reach out.

MANITOBA CANCELLATIONS: Watch for further notices:

*2020 Manitoba Royal Winter Fair - (<https://pembinavalleyonline.com/local/royal-manitoba-winter-fair-cancelled>) – for additional information contact: Ron Kristjansson, General Manager 204-726-3590 ron@provincialex.com

* MAAS By-laws Workshop scheduled - Elkhorn on March 18 - for more information contact Liz at - cmi@wcgwave.ca