

Nunavut

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Health & Safety

Apr 24: Nunavut's Chief Public Health Officer declared an outbreak of whooping cough in Kugaaruk. Whooping cough is a respiratory disease of the throat and lungs that spreads very easily from person to person but is preventable with immunization.

Action Point: Find out how to create a legally and clinically sound workplace [exposure control plan](#) to protect your employees against the risk of any infectious illnesses that may hit your workforce.

New Laws

Apr 16: Nunavut and Manitoba announced a new partnership to advance the Kivalliq Hydro-Fibre Link, a 1,200-kilometre transmission project that will enable renewable power transmission and fibre-optic internet connectivity to communities and the economy in the Kivalliq region of Nunavut by connecting into Manitoba Hydro's power grid.

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Apr 10: Nunavut employers required under OHS laws to file High Hazard Work Notifications before undertaking projects, tasks or new work posing high risk to workers must do so via the WSCC Connect tool. There'll be a one-year grace period to transition from the existing notification process to the new online tool. The 7 categories of high hazard work on *WSCC Connect* are: i. Quarry, Crushing, or Blasting; ii. Powerline Construction or Maintenance; iii. Earthworks, Excavation, or Road Construction; iv. Sandblasting; v. Demolition or Renovation; vi. Commercial or Residential Construction; and vii. Radiation.