

NOTICE

PROVINCIAL COURT OF MANITOBA

RE: VIDEO APPEARANCES BY ACCUSED ADULTS AND YOUTH

The COVID-19 pandemic requires us to re-consider our previous policies on video appearances by accused adults and youth. Corrections has asked us to consider the transport of prisoners only when necessary in order to minimize the risk of transmission of the COVID-19 virus. This request is consistent with a number of the current public health directives.

Effective immediately, and for the duration of the COVID-19 restrictions, persons in custody, both adult and youth, will only be transported to appear in person for a trial or preliminary inquiry, when a video appearance is not available or as ordered by a judge.

ISSUED BY:

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**The Honourable Chief Judge
Margaret Wiebe**

DATE: March 30, 2020