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‘Some people are making it easier for the virus to win’: Medical officer of health on rising COVID-19 cases

Gatherings, travelling, needs to stop to help win the race with this virus, says Dr. Ian Gemmill

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COVID-19 is continuing to spread in local communities – and to beat it back, at least some need to stop helping the virus win, says the medical officer of health.

In just the first few weeks of January, across the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit’s region, 180-plus new COVID-19 cases were confirmed, with nearly 93 per cent of these cases in Northumberland (46 per cent) and Kawartha