

COVID-19 UPDATE – June 16th, 2020

In an effort to keep our community partners connected, we are providing you with regular COVID-19 updates.

Key Updates for June 16th, 2020

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- Update on COVID-19 Cases
- New Foundry centres

Update on COVID-19 Cases

In yesterday's briefing, Dr. Bonnie Henry, provincial health officer, and Adrian Dix, Minister of Health, reported 36 new cases of COVID-19 in B.C. since last Thursday's update, bringing the total number of people who have tested positive to 2,745 since the pandemic began. Of those, 934 have been in the Vancouver Coastal Health region. The number of people in hospitals throughout B.C. sits at 13, including four people in critical care, and 2,395 people are considered fully recovered. There have been no new health-care outbreaks, but there are still four active outbreaks in long-term care.

New Foundry centres

Squamish youth will be among those in B.C. who will have faster, easier access to mental health and substance use services and supports with the announcement today of eight new Foundry centres to be developed throughout the province. Judy Darcy, Minister of Mental Health and Addictions, said the new Foundry centres -- in Burns Lake, Comox Valley, Cranbrook, Langley, Squamish, Surrey, Port Hardy and Williams Lake -- will offer increased access to integrated health and wellness services for young people aged 12 to 24. Each centre will offer primary care, youth and family peer supports, walk-in counselling, mental health and substance use services, and social services all under one roof, making it easier for youth to get help when they need it.

Key Messages to Share

- Practice [physical distancing](#) if you have to go out
- If you think you have COVID-19 take the self-assessment here: covid19.thrive.health
- Anyone in the VCH region with cold, influenza or COVID-19-like symptoms, however mild, can now be assessed for and get a COVID-19 test <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/testing>
- Self-isolate at home for 10 days if you have COVID-19 symptoms
- Find helpful posters, handouts and other resources about COVID-19 [here](#).