

LATEST UPDATE – June 23, 2021

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

Ministry of Health update

In yesterday's joint statement on B.C.'s COVID-19 response, Dr. Bonnie Henry, Provincial Health Officer, and Adrian Dix, Minister of Health, reported 56 new cases in Tuesday's reporting period and 12 of those cases were in the Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH) area.

The total number of people who have tested positive for COVID-19 in B.C. now stands at 147,187 since the start of the pandemic. There are 1,150 active cases of COVID-19 across B.C. currently.

Across the province, there were no new COVID-19 related deaths, while 111 people are currently hospitalized, with 41 of these cases receiving treatment in ICU/critical care. The total number of individuals who have passed away due to COVID-19 is 1,743.

COVID-19 vaccine update

Dr. Henry said 77.7% of all adults in B.C. and 76.2% of those 12 years and older have received their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine. In total, 4,511,923 doses of Pfizer, Moderna and AstraZeneca vaccines have been administered in B.C., 1,001,092 of which are second doses.

Dr. Henry noted the second phase of B.C.'s restart plan is progressing well, pointing out a sustained drop in the number of hospitalizations and new cases, with more than one million people fully immunized.

Updates to VCH's implementation of B.C.'s Immunization Plan

VCH reminds residents in our region to ensure they are registered on the *Get Vaccinated* provincial registration system. To receive an alert to book your appointment for your first or second dose you must be registered on this platform: www.gov.bc.ca/getvaccinated. Residents born in 2009 or earlier (12+ years of age) are eligible to receive their first dose vaccine, with second dose appointments scheduled approximately eight weeks following your first dose appointment. Registering takes approximately two minutes and ensures you receive your vaccination appointment as quickly and efficiently as possible.

If you don't have a Personal Health Number or if you are unable to book online, you can register by phone at 1-833-838-2323 (translation support is available when calling). The call centre is open seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. or 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on holidays. Those who would prefer register in-person can visit a Service BC office.

Expanded COVID-19 vaccination clinic capacity for those requiring first dose

VCH strongly encourages eligible people in our region aged 12 and older, who haven't received their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine, to book an appointment today or to drop-in to one of its convenient locations for easy access to same-day appointments, with managed wait times. These are for first doses only.

People aged 70 years of age and older (those born in 1951 or earlier) may attend a drop-in clinic, listed below, for first or second doses.

All are welcome at our clinics, including those without personal health numbers and people who are not residents of B.C. Staff will be available on-site to help people register and book appointments at other clinics throughout the region if needed, and can help answer all vaccine-related questions.

Drop-in clinic locations, dates and times:

ICBC Claim Centre

Address: 255 Lloyd Ave., North Vancouver, B.C.

Dates: June 22, 23, 24

Times: 7 - 10 p.m.

Availability: 50 drop-in spots per day

Eligibility: Age 12-69, first dose only, age 70+ first or second dose

Whistler Conference Centre

Address: 4010 Whistler Way, Whistler, B.C.

Date: June 27

Times: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Availability: 300 drop-in spots

Eligibility: Age 12-69, first dose only, age 70+ first or second dose

Based on need, more drop-in spots and locations may be added in the future. Please check the [VCH website](#) regularly for updates. For people living in Metro Vancouver with transportation or mobility challenges, VCH is working with community groups, housing societies and transportation providers ([TransLink](#), [HandyDART](#) and [BC Transit](#)) to assist getting to and from a COVID-19 vaccination clinic. Requests for transportation support must be made at least three days in advance of your vaccination appointment. To request transportation support, visit: <http://www.vch.ca/vaccinationtransportation>.

Enhanced safety measures and protocols are in place at all Vancouver Coastal Health COVID-19 vaccination clinics. Visitors are reminded to wear a short-sleeve shirt as the vaccine will be delivered to the upper arm. Everyone receiving a vaccine will be monitored for 15 minutes following their appointment.

New home support resource pamphlet

VCH has recently developed some new resource material for home support services and how to access it. This information is available in various languages.

- **Home support pamphlet**

[\[English\]](#) | [\[العربية Arabic\]](#) | [\[فارسی Farsi\]](#) | [\[Français French\]](#) | [\[Español Spanish\]](#) | [\[Tagalog\]](#) | [\[Tiếng Việt Vietnamese\]](#)

- **Home support client handbook:**

[\[English\]](#) | [\[فارسی Farsi\]](#)

Other resources

Find the Provincial Health Officer's orders [here](#).

To see a map of **COVID-19 cases by local health area**, [visit here](#).

For the **latest medical updates**, including case counts, prevention, risks and testing, visit: <http://www.bccdc.ca/>

For **community engagement opportunities** at VCH, see: <https://engage.vch.ca/>

COVID-19 vaccination resource toolkit:

- **COVID-19 vaccine registration poster:**

[\[English\]](#) | [\[العربية Arabic\]](#) | [\[简体中文 Chinese Simplified\]](#) | [\[繁體中文 Chinese Traditional\]](#) | [\[فارسی Farsi\]](#)
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- **Vaccine safety information:**

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[\[Tagalog\]](#)

- **Aftercare information:**

[\[English\]](#) | [\[العربية Arabic\]](#) | [\[American Sign Language - ASL\]](#) | [\[简体中文 Chinese Simplified\]](#) | [\[繁體中文 Chinese Traditional\]](#) | [\[فارسی Farsi\]](#) | [\[Français French\]](#) | [\[한국어 Korean\]](#) | [\[ਪੰਜਾਬੀ Punjabi\]](#) | [\[Español Spanish\]](#)
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- **COVID-19 vaccine information sessions hosted by S.U.C.C.E.S.S. and VCH (Cantonese and Mandarin)**

[\[Cantonese\]](#) | [\[Mandarin\]](#)

- **COVID-19 vaccine Q&A with Dr. Ray Chaboyer**

[\[English\]](#)

- **COVID-19 vaccine info session by VCH Chief Medical Health Officer Dr. Patricia Daly**

[\[English\]](#)