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VCH encourages eligible Powell River residents to register for their COVID-19 vaccination

Vancouver, B.C. – Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH) issued a reminder to residents of Powell River and surrounding communities 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 of Powell River and surrounding communities 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. To register, you will be asked to provide your:

- First and last name
- Date of birth
- Postal code
- Personal Health Number
- Email address that you regularly check or a phone number that can receive texts.

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. 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.

The COVID-19 vaccines available in Canada are safe and effective in preventing severe disease associated with COVID-19 infection. Residents with questions about the vaccines are advised to visit www.vch.ca/vaccine for further information. They can also speak to their health care provider, including their nurse practitioner or family doctor.

Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH) is responsible for the delivery of \$4.1 billion in community, hospital and long-term care to more than one million people in communities including Richmond, Vancouver, the North Shore, Sunshine Coast, Sea to Sky corridor, Powell River, Bella Bella and Bella Coola. VCH also provides specialized care and services for people throughout B.C., and is the province's hub of health-care education and research.

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