

LATEST UPDATE – June 1, 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 708 new cases over three days.

- From Friday to Saturday – 258 new cases
- Saturday to Sunday – 238 new cases
- And Sunday to Monday – 212 new cases

During those three days, 140 of those cases were in the Vancouver Coastal Health area.

The total number of people who have tested positive for COVID-19 in B.C. now stands at 144,289 since the start of the pandemic. There are 2,953 active cases of COVID-19 across B.C. currently. The active caseload is the smallest it has been since Nov. 2.

Across the province, there were 11 new COVID-19 related deaths, while 249 people are currently hospitalized, with 78 of these cases receiving treatment in ICU/critical care. The total number of individuals who have passed away due to COVID-19 is 1,703.

Dr. Henry said that while we are making significant headway in our immunization efforts, this is a time of caution for all of us. New strains continue to circulate and outbreaks are still occurring in all regions of the province. Immunizations are an extremely effective tool, but it takes time for them to fully protect us. It is important we all stay vigilant to prevent further virus transmission in our communities.

COVID-19 Vaccine Update

Since the start of immunizations, 3,250,161 doses of COVID-19 vaccines have been administered in B.C., 179,954 of which are second doses. This means 69.7 per cent of all adults and 66.1 per cent of those 12 years and older have received their first dose.

Registering with the Get Vaccinated immunization system is the fastest way to get your first and second doses. Anyone who received their vaccine prior to April 15 is asked to please register today, if you have not already done so. If you are unsure, complete the two-minute registration process and the system will immediately confirm your registration.

This past weekend, almost 300,000 people in B.C. were booked for their second booster dose – another encouraging and necessary step for all of us to maximize our protection for the maximum amount of time.

Dr. Henry said she will provide more information on Thursday about second doses for people who received a first shot of AstraZeneca.

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

Currently, everyone aged 12 years and older (born in 2009 or earlier) is eligible to book their COVID-19 vaccine. You are encouraged to register:

- online at: www.gov.bc.ca/getvaccinated
- by telephone at 1-833-838-2323
- or in person at any Service BC centre

VCH is also offering vaccinations for people aged 12 years and older (born in 2009 or earlier) by appointment-only at a new vaccination clinic at H.J. Cambie Secondary School (4151 Jacombs Road) in Richmond. The clinic will be open from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on various dates until June 5.

VCH encourages family, friends, neighbours and social services agencies to help get the word out to people aged 12 and older about registering to receive their COVID-19 vaccine.

VCH Open Board Meeting – Save the Date

Vancouver Coastal Health's Board of Directors and senior leadership team invite you to its virtual Open Board Forum, which is open to all.

The virtual Open Board Forum is an opportunity to join a conversation with our board. The board chair and senior leaders will provide updates on COVID-19, the vaccine roll-out and available health services.

The meeting, which will also be available in Cantonese, will stream online and we invite you to register and send questions in advance at vch.ca/boardforum. We will send you a link to the Open Board Forum video stream before the meeting.

Testing

Anyone in the Vancouver Coastal Health region with cold, influenza or COVID-19-like symptoms, however mild, can be assessed for and get a COVID-19 test. Visit the BCCDC website [here](#) for more information.

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:**

[\[English\]](#) | [\[简体中文 Chinese Simplified\]](#) | [\[繁體中文 Chinese Traditional\]](#) | [\[فارسی Farsi\]](#) | [\[한국어 Korean\]](#) | [\[ਪੰਜਾਬੀ Punjabi\]](#) | [\[Tiếng Việt Vietnamese\]](#)

- **Vaccine safety information:**

[\[English\]](#) | [\[简体中文 Chinese Simplified\]](#) | [\[繁體中文 Chinese Traditional\]](#) | [\[한국어 Korean\]](#) | [\[ਪੰਜਾਬੀ Punjabi\]](#) | [\[Tagalog\]](#)

- **Aftercare information:**

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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**

[\[English\]](#)