

LATEST UPDATE – August 20, 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 statement on B.C.'s COVID-19 response, 689 new cases were reported with 123 of those 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 158,256 since the start of the pandemic. There are 5,982 active cases of COVID-19 across B.C. currently.

There have been two new COVID-19 related deaths, while 121 people are currently hospitalized, with 56 of these cases receiving treatment in ICU/critical care. The total number of individuals who have passed away due to COVID-19 is 1,784.

COVID-19 vaccine update

As of today, 82.9 per cent of all eligible individuals 12 years and older have received their first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine and 74 per cent of those 12 and older have received their second dose. In addition, 83.7 per cent of all eligible adults in B.C. have received their first dose and 75.3 per cent received their second dose.

Since December 2020, the Province has administered 7,280,835 doses of Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna and AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccines.

VCH vaccination clinics

After providing COVID-19 vaccines doses at the BC Lions' first home game of the season Thursday, VCH is partnering with another Vancouver sports team for their own season home opener. VCH will be operating a pop-up clinic at the Vancouver Whitecaps FC Home Opener Saturday (Aug. 21), at the Terry Fox Plaza from 2 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Like all pop-up clinics, everyone is welcome to get vaccinated on a first-come, first-served basis, depending on your eligibility and vaccine availability.

VCH vaccination clinics – including pop-up clinics – are listed on our [website](#) including locations and hours of operation. All clinics are accepting drop-ins for first and second doses. All are welcome at our clinics, including those without personal health numbers and people who are not residents of B.C. Clinic staff are available to help people register and book appointments at other clinics throughout the region if needed, and can help answer any vaccine-related questions.

All residents are encouraged to still register on the [provincial system](#) to ensure they receive an alert once they are eligible to book their second dose vaccination appointment.

How to access or update your vaccination status

B.C. Public Health has an immunization record for all people who received a COVID-19 vaccine at a B.C. immunization clinic or pharmacy. To check your vaccination status, visit [COVID-19 Vaccination Status Indicator | Immunize BC](#). Enter your date of birth and personal health number (PHN) to confirm your immunization record. Note: The COVID-19 Vaccination Status Indicator only confirms the provincial immunization registry contains an immunization record. No specific vaccination details are provided.

Vaccination Records

When you get vaccinated, you will receive a paper copy of your immunization record card, please retain it as proof of vaccination. Please note, this record is not sufficient proof for travel.

If you need another copy of your immunization record, you can access it online or request a printed copy by phone or at a Service BC office.

Fastest option: Access online

To view your immunization record online, register for [Health Gateway](#). Your digital immunization record card is available about two days after your vaccine appointment. You will need a [mobile BC services card](#) to register.

Request by phone

If can't access Health Gateway, you can call to request a mailed copy of your immunization record. On the phone, be prepared to provide:

- Personal Health Number (PHN)
- Full name
- Date of birth
- Details about dose 1 and dose 2, like date or clinic location visited

Call: 1-833-838-2323 | Seven days a week, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. (PDT), translators are available.

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:**

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

- **Vaccine safety information:**

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

- **Aftercare information:**

[\[English\]](#) | [\[العربية Arabic\]](#) | [\[American Sign Language - ASL\]](#) | [\[简体中文 Chinese Simplified\]](#) | [\[繁體中文 Chinese Traditional\]](#) | [\[فارسی Farsi\]](#) | [\[Français French\]](#) | [\[한국어 Korean\]](#) | [\[ਪੰਜਾਬੀ Punjabi\]](#) | [\[Español Spanish\]](#)
| [\[Tigrinya\]](#) | [\[Tiếng Việt Vietnamese\]](#)

- **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**

[\[English\]](#)

Thank you

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