LATEST UPDATE – June 11, 2021

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

Ministry of Health Update
In today’s joint statement on B.C.’s COVID-19 response, Dr. Bonnie Henry, Provincial Health Officer, and Adrian Dix, Minister of Health, reported 180 new cases and 11 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 146,176 since the start of the pandemic. There are 1,880 active cases of COVID-19 across B.C. currently.

Across the province, there was one new COVID-19 related death, while 162 people are currently hospitalized, with 45 of these cases receiving treatment in ICU/critical care. The total number of individuals who have passed away due to COVID-19 is 1,730.

Dr. Henry presented the latest COVID-19 modelling information yesterday, saying we are in a dramatically different place today than we were even a month ago. She said B.C. is in a good position to continue to safely move forward with B.C.’s Restart plan. And getting fully immunized with first and second doses of vaccines is making all the difference. The June modelling presentation can be found here.

COVID-19 Vaccine Update
Dr. Henry said 75.1% of all adults in B.C. and 73.1% of those 12 years and older have received their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine. In total, 3,893,581 doses of Pfizer, Moderna and AstraZeneca vaccines have been administered in B.C., 497,932 of which are second doses.

It is important to note that invitations to book a second dose will only be sent after eight weeks. At this point, given the strong demand, appointments are being booked in most locations two to three weeks later. This interval is well within the safe range for everyone and data shows it may lead to a stronger and longer-lasting immune response.

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 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 Answers Vaccine Questions
Vancouver Coastal Health regularly participates in community-oriented events to answer public health related questions and encourage everyone to register and get vaccinated.

This week the VCH Board of Directors and senior executives held a virtual Open Board Forum, featuring presentations on public health, acute and community care in Vancouver and a wide-ranging question and answer session. A link to a recording of the meeting can be found here.

Introducing the Indigenous Patient Experience Team
In an effort to better support Indigenous patients, clients and families who are receiving care, and to support health-care teams, VCH is introducing an Indigenous Patient Experience Team made up of Indigenous patient care clinicians (IPCCs), Indigenous patient navigators (IPNs) and Indigenous patient care quality (IPCQ) liaisons. Click here to learn more.

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/](http://www.bccdc.ca/)
For community engagement opportunities at VCH, see: [https://engage.vch.ca/](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]