

## LATEST UPDATE – June 15, 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 277 new cases over the three-day weekend reporting period and 36 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 146,453 since the start of the pandemic. There are 1,537 active cases of COVID-19 across B.C. currently.

Across the province, there were four new COVID-19 related deaths, while 136 people are currently hospitalized, with 42 of these cases receiving treatment in ICU/critical care. The total number of individuals who have passed away due to COVID-19 is 1,734.

### B.C. launches second phase of restart plan

With more than 75 per cent of adults vaccinated with their first dose and COVID-19 case counts and hospitalizations steadily declining, British Columbia is moving forward with the second step of a four-step plan for a careful and safe restart. Moving from Step 1 to Step 2 includes:

- B.C. recreational travel – non-essential travel ban lifted. Out-of-province non-essential travel advisory continues;
- maximum of 50 people for outdoor personal gatherings;
- maximum of 50 people for indoor seated organized gatherings (e.g., movie theatres, live theatre, banquet halls) with safety plans;
- indoor faith gatherings – a maximum of 50 people, or 10 per cent of a place of worship's total capacity, whichever number is greater – with safety plans;
- maximum of 50 spectators for outdoor sports;
- liquor service at restaurants, bars and pubs extended until midnight; and
- indoor sports games (no spectators) and high-intensity fitness with safety plans.

The [step-by-step plan](#) continues to follow approximate timelines and will ease people and businesses slowly out of the pandemic.

### COVID-19 vaccine update

Dr. Henry said 75.9% of all adults in B.C. and 74.1% of those 12 years and older have received their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine. In total, 4,048,346 doses of Pfizer, Moderna and AstraZeneca vaccines have been administered in B.C., 613,453 of which are second doses.

### 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](http://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.

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.

## 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:**

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

- **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:**

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

- **Vaccine safety information:**

[\[English\]](#) | [\[Chinese Simplified\]](#) | [\[Chinese Traditional\]](#) | [\[한국어 Korean\]](#) | [\[ਪੰਜਾਬੀ Punjabi\]](#)  
| [\[Tagalog\]](#)

- **Aftercare information:**

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

- **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**

[\[English\]](#)