

Daily Update – June 9, 2020

Ministry of Health update

In today's daily briefing, Dr. Bonnie Henry, provincial health officer, reported nine new test-positive cases of COVID-19, as well as one epidemiologically linked case, bringing the total number of cases to 2,669 since the pandemic began. Of those, 908 have been in the Vancouver Coastal Health region. There are 16 people with COVID-19 in hospitals throughout B.C., including four people in critical care, and 2,319 people are considered fully recovered. There are still four active outbreaks in long-term care or assisted-living facilities in B.C.

Richmond testing centre opens

A new drive-through assessment centre opens in Richmond tomorrow, providing residents and those living in surrounding areas with increased access to screening and testing for COVID-19. Located at 6820 Gilbert road, in the parking lot of the Richmond Tennis Club, the Richmond Assessment Centre (RAC) will replace the current assessment centre at Richmond Hospital. The RAC will be open Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and on Saturdays and statutory holidays from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. It will be closed on Sundays. All residents with symptoms may access any assessment centre in BC. [To locate all collection centres visit the BCCDC website.](#)

Web hub for PPE

Earlier today, the Government of Canada announced it is working with partners to ensure Canadians have access to the information, resources and supplies they need to stay safe and healthy in response to COVID-19. A new [web hub](#) will bring together available resources for organizations buying and selling personal protective equipment (PPE). As organizations re-open for business, they need reliable information on how to buy and sell the necessary supplies required to keep themselves and others safe. The Supply Hub connects Canadian organizations from coast to coast to coast with federal, provincial, territorial and other resources and information about PPE, including consumer guidance. Buyers will find PPE supplier lists, in addition to guidance to help plan their PPE purchases. As Public Services and Procurement Canada continues to engage with our partners and advisory groups, the hub will evolve to include additional resources.

Testing

Anyone in the VCH region with cold, influenza or COVID-19-like symptoms, however mild, can now be assessed for and get a COVID-19 test. Contact your physician or nurse practitioner's office, or a local community collection centre to arrange for a test. Phone numbers and locations of collection centre can be found by visiting: <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/testing> or by calling 8-1-1. In Vancouver, the City Centre and REACH urgent and primary care centres can provide testing as well as the St. Vincent's drive-up location at 4875 Heather Street. On the North Shore, testing is





available at the North Vancouver Urgent and Primary Care Centre. If you think you need testing, please call ahead before visiting your doctor, urgent and primary care center or health clinic.

VCH Medical Health Officers, our provincial partners and the Public Health Agency of Canada continue to actively monitor the COVID-19 pandemic. To protect yourself while out in public, wash your hands frequently and maintain social distance. For more information on COVID-19, please visit <http://www.vch.ca/covid-19>.

For more information and latest updates on COVID-19, follow the BC Centre for Disease Control on Twitter [@CDCofBC](https://twitter.com/CDCofBC) or visit the website: <http://www.bccdc.ca/>.

