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We have prepared a few important updates on the COVID-19 situation as it developed over the last weekend. Please find below:

[Province shifts to Phase 3: millions to book vaccine appointments online](#)

All eligible adults in B.C. are now able to follow a three-step process to register and book vaccine appointments online, as the Province moves to Phase 3 of B.C.'s COVID-19 Immunization Plan:

1. **Register:** First, register when it is your turn and get a confirmation code.
2. **Book:** Book a vaccine appointment when you get an email, text or phone call telling you are eligible to book, based on your age.
3. **Get vaccinated:** Visit a vaccine clinic to get your vaccine dose.

Starting at 8 a.m. (Pacific time), on Tuesday, April 6, 2021, people born in 1950 and earlier (71 and older), Indigenous peoples 18 and older, and those who are clinically extremely vulnerable may register to book their vaccine appointment through the Province's 'Get Vaccinated' system in one of three ways:

- online at: gov.bc.ca/getvaccinated
- by telephone through a provincial call centre (toll-free) at 1 833 838-2323
- in-person at the nearest Service BC location.

[Joint statement on B.C.'s COVID-19 response, latest updates. Updated for clarification April 5, 2021](#)

Apr 5, Dr. Bonnie Henry, B.C.'s provincial health officer, and Adrian Dix, Minister of Health, have issued the following joint statement regarding updates on the COVID-19 response in British Columbia:

"Today, we are reporting two periods: April 3 to 4, we had 999 cases, and in the last 24-hours, we had a further 890 cases for a two-day total of 1,889 new cases. These periods are in addition to April 1 to 2, when we reported 1,018 cases, and April 2 and 3, when we reported 1,072 cases. Those figures were provisional and have since been confirmed as 1,074 cases over April 1 to 2 and 1,077 cases over April 2 to 3. Combined, this results in a four-day case count of 4,040 new cases, for a total of 104,920 cases in British Columbia to date.

There are 8,490 active cases of COVID-19 in the province, with 11,989 people under public health monitoring as a result of identified exposure to known cases. A further 94,806 people who tested positive have recovered.

Of the active cases, 318 individuals are currently hospitalized with COVID-19, 96 of whom are in intensive care. The remaining people with COVID-19 are recovering at home in self-isolation.

Since April 1, there have been 916 new confirmed COVID-19 cases that are variants of concern in our province, for a total of 3,559 cases (588 are active). This includes 2,771 cases of the B.1.1.7 (U.K.) variant, 51 cases of the B.1.351 (South Africa) variant and 737 cases of the P.1 (Brazil) variant. There have been 23 new COVID-19 related deaths since April 1, for a total of 1,486 deaths in British Columbia.

To date, 893,590 doses of Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna and AstraZeneca-SII COVID-19 vaccines have been administered in B.C., 87,472 of which are second doses.

In partnership with the BC Pharmacy Association, we plan to expand the AstraZeneca vaccine program outside of the Lower Mainland by the end of next week to more communities throughout the province, including Dawson Creek, Fort St. John, Kamloops, Kelowna, Nanaimo, Parksville, Prince George, Quesnel, Terrace, Vernon and Victoria. You can find a list of participating pharmacies [here](#).

Important resources

For provincial health officer's orders and guidance, visit:

Orders: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/about-bc-s-health-care-system/office-of-the-provincial-health-officer/current-health-topics/covid-19-novel-coronavirus>

Guidance on restrictions: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/covid-19-provincial-support/restrictions>

Latest vaccine information:

For vaccine information, visit the BCCDC dashboard: <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/data> or: www.bccdc.ca

The latest updates, guidance and information on COVID-19, and where to get tested:

The latest medical updates, including case counts, prevention, risks and to find a testing centre near you: <http://www.bccdc.ca/> or follow @CDCofBC on Twitter.

For data regarding ongoing outbreaks in long-term care, assisted-living and independent-living facilities in B.C., visit: <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/data#outbreak>

Mental health support:

Mental health and anxiety support: www.bouncebackbc.ca

Or: www.anxietycanada.com

Or: <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/about-covid-19/mental-well-being-during-covid-19>

Or: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/managing-your-health/mental-health-substance-use/virtual-supports-covid-19>

To share your feedback in the Personal Impacts of COVID-19 Survey, visit: <https://www.bcchr.ca/POP/our-research/pics>

Non-health related information:

Financial, child care and education support, travel, transportation and essential service information:

www.gov.bc.ca/covid19

Or call 1 888 COVID19 (1 888 268-4319) between 7:30 a.m. and 8 p.m. (Pacific time), seven days a week.

COVID-19 exposure events, updates and information by health authority:

BCCDC (flights, work sites, etc): <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/public-exposures>

Fraser Health: fraserhealth.ca/covid19exposure

Interior Health: <https://news.interiorhealth.ca/news/public-exposures/>

Island Health: <https://www.islandhealth.ca/learn-about-health/covid-19/outbreaks-and-exposures>

Northern Health: <https://www.northernhealth.ca/health-topics/outbreaks-and-exposures>

Vancouver Coastal Health: <http://www.vch.ca/covid-19/public-exposures>

[BCCSA Response: Coronavirus \(COVID -19\)](#)

Please, find an updated document from **BC Construction Safety Alliance**, providing information and guidance specific to COVID-19 updates, with a focus on the Construction Industry:

<https://www.bccsa.ca/customelements/uploadedResources/BCCSACOVID19UPDATEv2.pdf>

CLR Team will keep you posted on any new and important updates.

Stay safe.

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