

Subject: COVID-19 Updates - March 29, 2021 - Three Week Circuit Breaker
Date: Monday, March 29, 2021 at 6:27:29 PM Pacific Daylight Time
From: Ernie Baatz
To: Ernie Baatz
Attachments: image001.jpg

Staying Safe and Healthy

It is great that vaccines are beginning to help people stay safe and healthy, but the number of cases in BC is still very high.

Please continue to follow all the basic safeguards that are required to keep people safe and healthy:

- **Stay home if you feel sick – Call 811 for further directions**
- **Wash your hands regularly**
- **Keep your distance – at least two metres or six feet from people outside your bubble**
- **Wear a mask on transit, in stores, in all indoor public spaces.**
- **Keep your social bubble small – But stay connected with friends and family. Phone, video chat, go for a walk outside – it is so important to keep in touch.**

Three-week circuit breaker begins now to bend the curve, protect people

To address rising COVID-19 case counts, protect people and communities and help break the chain of COVID-19 transmission, the provincial health officer is amending the provincial public health orders effective midnight tonight, March 30, 2021.

New and amended orders and guidelines are in effect through April 19, 2021, and include:

- For restaurants, bars and pubs, all food and liquor-serving premises must only provide take-out or delivery service. Dine-in service is prohibited, except for outdoor patios. People dining on patios should do so with their immediate household or core bubble.
- Indoor, adult group fitness activities of any kind are also paused. Gyms and fitness centres are restricted to individual or one-on-one activities only i.e. one-on-one personal training.
- The previously announced class variance for limited indoor worship services has been suspended. Outdoor worship services under the current variance may continue.
- Travel continues to be limited to essential travel, work or medical reasons only. For

those who have travelled outside their health region, if you or anyone in your family develops any signs of illness, you must stay home from work, school or daycare, and arrange to get tested immediately.

- Whistler-Blackcomb ski resort is closed through to April 19, 2021, to address and prevent community spread related to non-essential travel.
- All workers are strongly encouraged to work from home, where possible.
- Public health guidance for schools has also been amended to support and encourage students down to Grade 4 to wear masks while at school.

“Rising case levels, variants of concern, increased transmission and an increase in more severe cases are huge concerns,” said Adrian Dix, Minister of Health. “B.C. public health officials are making the tough choices now to break the chain and protect our communities.”

More information from the press release available here:

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021PREM0023-000578>

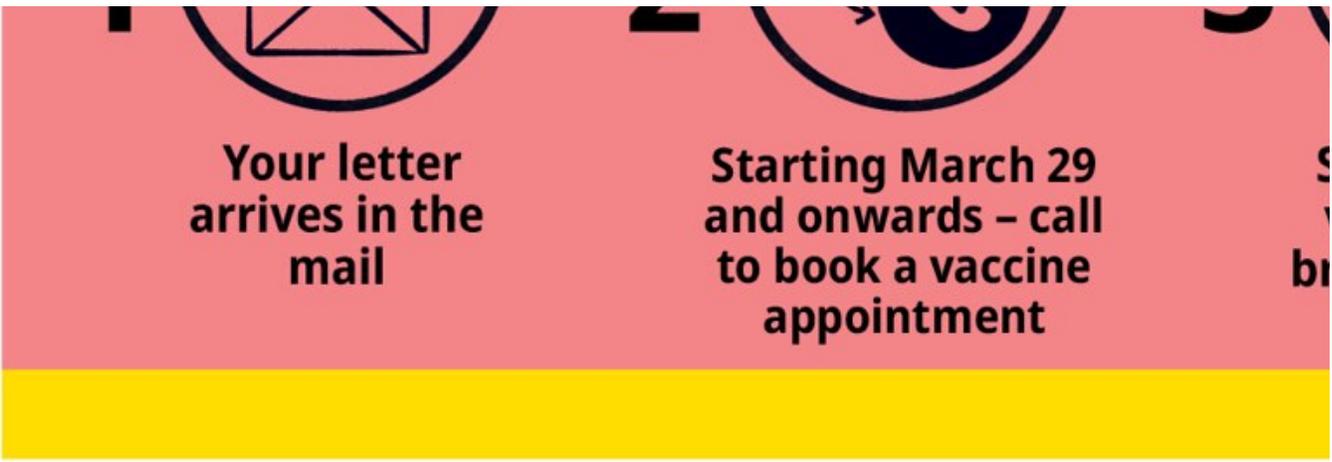
====

Vaccinations for People we Support

1. People who have staff providing support 24 hours per day (Staffed Residential) have been getting their vaccinations through Health Services for Community Living (HSCL).
2. People who live with their families, with a home-share provider, or who live in their own apartments with a little support are now able to access vaccinations through the CEV process (Clinically Extremely Vulnerable)
 - The Ministry of Health will send each person a letter confirming their eligibility. Some people have already received their letters. These letters will arrive by April 15, 2021.
 - The letter will provide a phone number to call to make an appointment for your vaccination.
 - Take the letter and your health card with you to the appointment and get your vaccination.
 - The BCCDC has published [vaccine planning information](#) for people with developmental disabilities. This answers questions about vaccines, how to prepare for the appointment, who you can bring with you, and what to do if you need help making a decision about the vaccine.

CEVs: 3 steps to get vacco





**Your letter
arrives in the
mail**

**Starting March 29
and onwards – call
to book a vaccine
appointment**

== == == == == == == ==

Vaccinations for employees and home-share providers

Vancouver Coastal Health and Fraser Health are inviting employees to register for vaccinations at clinics:

Vancouver Coastal Process:

We are happy to advise that we're now able to expand vaccination eligibility to staff **who provide direct patient or client care**. Starting next week, we are inviting eligible staff from your group home to COVID-19 vaccination clinics.

VANCOUVER GENERAL HOSPITAL CAMPUS

Blusson Spinal Cord Centre, 818 W. 10th Ave, Vancouver

[BOOK AN APPOINTMENT HERE](#)

PROVIDENCE HEALTH CARE STAFF IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

1081 Burrard Street, Providence Level One, Conference Center

[BOOK AN APPOINTMENT HERE](#)

VCH TRAVEL CLINIC

Broadway Plaza, Lower Level, Unit L5

601 West Broadway

[BOOK AN APPOINTMENT HERE](#)

PHSA STAFF IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

BC Children's and BC Women's Health Center

Shaughnessy Auditorium

4500 Oak Street

[BOOK AN APPOINTMENT HERE](#)

RICHMOND HOSPITAL

5 North, 7000 Westminster Highway, Richmond

[BOOK AN APPOINTMENT HERE](#)

NORTH VANCOUVER TEST COLLECTION SITE

ICBC Capilano Claims Centre, 255 Lloyd Ave., North Vancouver

[BOOK AN APPOINTMENT HERE](#)

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

- Anyone booking or arriving who is not eligible will be turned away.
- If you contracted and recovered from COVID-19 more than three months ago, you may now attend a clinic for your first dose of vaccine.
- If you contracted and recovered from COVID-19 within the past three months, you are not eligible for vaccine at this time. You will be immunized at a later date.
- Please do not attend the clinic if you are feeling unwell, experiencing COVID-like symptoms, or if you have been asked by Public Health to self-isolate.
- Come alone, to assist with COVID-19 safety protocols. Physical distancing measures will be in place throughout, including while waiting in line.
- Bring your driver's license (or another photo ID), Care Card, and Employee ID (if available) or a pay stub.

Fraser Health Process:

As part of B.C.'s COVID-19 Immunization Plan, Fraser Health is inviting **CLBC contracted staff who work in group homes where we are currently immunizing the residents** to receive their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine. Please share information below with the eligible contracted staff. If you would like to receive a COVID-19 vaccine, please review

1. Read the [COVID-19 mRNA Vaccines HealthLinkBC File](#)
2. Use the online booking details below to book an appointment at an immunization clinic. Immunization clinic dates, times and locations are shown on the link below.
3. Please book as soon as possible
4. For the month of March please avoid booking in Burnaby locations.
5. Of note, the Surrey North location and the Abbotsford Ag Rec are currently offering same day appointments.
6. Also note that the category for which group you belong is "Health Care Worker".

Link for booking tool: [Fraser Health Booking Tool](https://fraserhealth.ca/vaccinebooking) (Fraserhealth.ca/vaccinebooking). [Please use Google or Microsoft edge; it is not supported on Microsoft explorer.](#)

After booking an appointment, you will receive a booking confirmation email. If you do not see the email in your inbox, please check your junk/spam folder. Please keep the confirmation email as it will be needed if you need to cancel the appointment. If cancelling, please cancel as far ahead of time as possible to allow others to get vaccinated.

You can learn more about [B.C.'s COVID-19 Immunization Strategy](#) on the [Government of British Columbia website](#).

[Fraser Health Invitation as PDF](#)

There is not yet a process or invitation for home-share provider in Vancouver Coastal or Fraser Health Authority regions.

Ernie Baatz

Executive Director

Spectrum Society for Community Living

Express yourself. Build your network. Find your voice.

www.spectrumsociety.org

cell: 604-644-1474

Be Calm, Be Kind, Be Safe