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## INFORMATION BULLETIN

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COVID-19 Joint Information Centre  
Emergency Management BC  
Ministry of Health

### **B.C. COVID-19 response update**

VICTORIA – The COVID-19 situation in British Columbia is continually evolving and the information below is current as of 3 p.m. on Friday, April 3, 2020.

#### **Cases:**

- Total confirmed cases in B.C.: 1,174
- New cases since April 2, 2020: 53
- Hospitalized cases: 146
- Intensive care: 64
- COVID-19 related deaths: 35
- Recovered: 673

#### **Confirmed cases by region:**

- Vancouver Coastal Health: 541
- Fraser Health: 412
- Island Health: 74
- Interior Health: 126
- Northern Health: 21

#### **New provincial advice and measures:**

- NEW: Province is partnering with the BC Care Providers Association to launch EquipCare BC, helping seniors in long-term care and assisted living homes: <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2020HLTH0121-000628>
- Office of the Provincial Health Officer COVID-19 Ethical Decision-Making Framework: [https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/health/about-bc-s-health-care-system/office-of-the-provincial-health-officer/covid-19/ethics\\_framework\\_for\\_covid\\_march\\_28\\_2020.pdf](https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/health/about-bc-s-health-care-system/office-of-the-provincial-health-officer/covid-19/ethics_framework_for_covid_march_28_2020.pdf)
- Latest COVID-19 updates and statements: <https://news.gov.bc.ca/Search?q=COVID-19>
- Critical care and acute care hospitalization modelling information: [https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/COVID19\\_Technical\\_Briefing\\_Condensed.pdf](https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/COVID19_Technical_Briefing_Condensed.pdf)

#### **New travel/federal measures:**

- NEW: Prime Minister announces support for food banks and local food organizations: <https://pm.gc.ca/en/news/news-releases/2020/04/03/prime-minister-announces-support-food-banks-and-local-food>
- For Government of Canada COVID-19 Travel Advice: <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection/latest-travel-health->

[advice.html](#)

### **Media availability schedule:**

Upcoming scheduled media availability with Adrian Dix, Minister of Health, and Dr. Bonnie Henry, provincial health officer, will be held:

Saturday, April 4, 2020 – noon, Victoria

Monday, April 6, 2020 – 1:30 p.m., Victoria

### **Resources:**

- For provincial support and COVID-19 information: [www.gov.bc.ca/covid](http://www.gov.bc.ca/covid)
- For seniors looking for additional support at this time, call 211 or visit: <http://www.bc211.ca/>
- For information for First Nations and Indigenous peoples in B.C., visit: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/governments/indigenous-people/covid19>
- If you or a family member need additional medical advice, call 811.

### **Testing:**

- 45,966 individuals tested as of April 2, 2020
- If symptoms appear, check your symptoms online: <https://covid19.thrive.health>
  - If needed, call your health-care provider or 811 for further guidance.

### **Learn More:**

For the latest videos and livestreaming of COVID-19 media availabilities:

on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BCProvincialGovernment/>

on Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/ProvinceofBC>

on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/BCGovNews>

For the latest medical updates, including case counts, prevention, risks and testing, visit:

<http://www.bccdc.ca/>

Or follow @CDCofBC

For provincial health officer orders, notices and guidance, visit: [www.gov.bc.ca/phoguidance](http://www.gov.bc.ca/phoguidance)

For non-health related information, including financial, child care and education supports, travel, transportation and essential service information, visit: [www.gov.bc.ca/Covid-19](http://www.gov.bc.ca/Covid-19)

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

For recommendations on protecting yourself and your community, including for employers and businesses, visit: [http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/coronavirus-\(novel\)](http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/coronavirus-(novel))

For common questions about COVID-19 and terminology, visit: <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/common-questions>

**Contacts:**

For non-medical information relating to  
COVID-19:

Visit: [www.gov.bc.ca/COVID19](http://www.gov.bc.ca/COVID19)

Email: [servicebc@gov.bc.ca](mailto:servicebc@gov.bc.ca)

Or call: 1 888 COVID-19

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