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## JOINT STATEMENT

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### **Joint statement on B.C.'s COVID-19 response, latest updates**

VICTORIA – Dr. Bonnie Henry, B.C.'s provincial health officer, and Stephen Brown, deputy minister of health, have issued the following joint statement regarding updates on the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) response in British Columbia:

“Today, we are announcing 158 new cases, including five epi-linked cases, for a total of 10,892 cases in British Columbia.

“There are 1,496 active cases of COVID-19 in the province, 3,608 people who are under active public health monitoring as a result of identified exposure to known cases and 9,112 people who tested positive have recovered.

“Currently, 84 individuals are hospitalized with COVID-19, 24 of whom are in intensive care. The remaining people with COVID-19 are recovering at home in self-isolation.

“Since the start of the pandemic, there have been 3,941 cases of COVID-19 in the Vancouver Coastal Health region, 5,697 in the Fraser Health region, 237 in the Island Health region, 585 in the Interior Health region, 343 in the Northern Health region and 89 cases of people who reside outside of Canada.

“There have been no new COVID-19 related deaths, for a total of 250 deaths in British Columbia. We offer our condolences to everyone who has lost their loved ones during the COVID-19 pandemic.

“There have been no new health-care facility outbreaks. The outbreak at St. Paul's Hospital has been declared over. In total, 17 long-term care or assisted-living facilities and two acute-care facilities have active outbreaks.

“There have been no new community outbreaks. However, there continue to be exposure events around the province. Public alerts and notifications are posted on the BC Centre for Disease Control's (BCCDC) website and on all health authorities' websites.

“One of the best things that we can do to protect ourselves and those around us is to pay close attention to how we are feeling, by doing our own personal health check each day. This is particularly important if we have recently spent time with people outside of our household bubble or 'safe six.'

“If you are at all feeling unwell, be the COVID-19 champion who makes the choice to stay home and stay away from others. If you have any symptoms, contact 811 or your health-care provider to arrange for testing.

“Choosing to do the right thing helps to protect all of us and keep our loved ones, our Elders and our communities safe.”

**Learn More:**

BCCDC's safer celebrations guidance: <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/social-interactions/safer-celebrations>

To learn more about the Oct. 5 modelling presentation, visit:  
[https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/COVID19\\_Going\\_Forward\\_Oct\\_2020.pdf](https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/COVID19_Going_Forward_Oct_2020.pdf)

Guidance for Halloween during COVID-19: <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/social-interactions/halloween>

To find the provincial health officer's orders, visit:  
<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>

To see a map of COVID-19 cases by local health area, visit:  
<http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/data>

If you are experiencing symptoms, find a collection centre near you to get tested:  
<http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/testing>

For mental health and anxiety support, visit: [www.bouncebackbc.ca](http://www.bouncebackbc.ca)  
Or: [www.anxietycanada.com](http://www.anxietycanada.com)

For a listing of the community exposure events, go to:

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

Fraser Health: [fraserhealth.ca/covid19exposure](http://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: <http://www.vch.ca/covid-19/public-exposures>

For the latest medical updates, including case counts, prevention, risks and testing, visit: <http://www.bccdc.ca/>

Or follow @CDCofBC on Twitter.

For non-health related information, including financial, child care and education supports, travel, transportation and essential service information, visit: [www.gov.bc.ca/covid19](http://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.

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

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/BCProvincialGovernment/](http://www.facebook.com/BCProvincialGovernment/)

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

YouTube: [www.youtube.com/ProvinceofBC](http://www.youtube.com/ProvinceofBC)

A backgrounder follows.

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## BACKGROUND

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### **Assisted living, long-term care homes, seniors' rental buildings with ongoing COVID-19 outbreaks**

Assisted living, long-term care homes and seniors' rental buildings with ongoing COVID-19 outbreaks are as follow:

- Vancouver Coastal Health
  - Banfield Pavilion long-term care facility
  - Haro Park Centre long-term care facility (second occurrence)
  - Point Grey Private Hospital long-term care facility
  - Weinberg Residence long-term care facility
  - Yaletown House long-term care facility
- Fraser Health
  - Chartwell Carrington House assisted- and independent-living facility
  - Chartwell Crescent Gardens long-term care facility
  - George Derby Centre long-term care facility
  - Good Samaritan Delta View Care Centre long-term care facility
  - Harrison West at Elim Village long-term care facility
  - Kin Village assisted-living facility
  - Langley Lodge long-term care facility (third occurrence)
  - New Vista Care Home long-term care facility
  - Peace Portal Seniors Village long-term care facility
  - PICS assisted-living facility
  - Thornebridge Gardens assisted-living facility
  - White Rock Seniors Village long-term care facility

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