

memo



To: Agency-Wide/NACL Board of Directors

From: Graham Morry, Executive Director

Date: July 7, 2021

Re: CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) UPDATE

Current Situation

Hi everyone! These past three weeks have gone by quickly – as of our last memo in mid-June, we’d just started Phase 2 of BC’s Restart Plan – and now we’re nearly a week into Phase 3. It’s because of our collective efforts province-wide to abide by Provincial Health Office (PHO) guidelines, get vaccinated, and seeing both COVID-19 case counts and hospitalizations plummet that we’ve been able to get to this point. Well done, us!

Even though the official weekly PHO briefings have stopped for the time being, the provincial and Island Health dashboards are both still being updated on weekdays – here are the latest counts:

As of yesterday (July 6, 2021), there were 46 new cases of COVID-19 reported in BC. Of those, only three (3) of them were on Vancouver Island. Island Health’s dashboard indicates there are just 13 active cases, with three (3) in the South Island region, 10 in the Central Island region, and none in the North Island region.

Staying the Course

As noted in my mid-June memo, we aren’t changing too much in terms of how NACL has been operating – we’re going above and beyond Provincial Health Office guidelines re COVID-19 to keep protecting what we’ve been really successful in preventing so far.

Our latest COVID-19 Exposure and Control Plan was released on June 30th, which is posted both on our website (www.nanaimoacl.com/event) and on ShareVision (under COVID-19 Memos in the left-hand menu).

In Conclusion...

Since BC’s in a very good place at the moment with COVID-19 and the way we’re navigating it as an agency is staying stable, we’ll take a break over the rest of the summer (barring any significant developments) – and our next update will come just after Labour Day when we’ve hopefully entered Phase 4 (basically the “back to normal” benchmark) of the BC Restart Plan – on Wednesday, September 8th.

In the meantime, please continue to take care, stay safe, keep those proofs of vaccination (for both doses) coming to our HR Department, and get in touch if you have any questions or concerns. I’ll be away for the month of August, but Randy Humchitt will be available – so both our contact details are enclosed below.

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