

# COVID-19 Vaccine Update

## First dose AstraZeneca/COVISHIELD vaccine available for kindergarten to Gr. 12 educational staff in the VCH region

Date: April 27, 2021  
To: K – 12 Educational staff in Vancouver Coastal Health  
From: VCH COVID-19 Vaccine Campaign Integrated Operating Committee  
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Vancouver Coastal Health continues to implement the provincial COVID-19 Immunization Plan, which includes frontline and essential workers. In the VCH region, we continue to offer weekly allocations of mRNA vaccines (Pfizer and Moderna) to educational staff, with sequencing determined by the level of COVID-19 transmission in communities and school districts. We anticipate completing this priority population by the end of May.

**This week**, we also have an allocation of AstraZeneca/COVISHIELD vaccine available for frontline and essential workers **ages 30 and older (born in 1991 or before)**. Therefore, educational staff ages 30 and up in the VCH region have the option of attending a clinic this week to receive a first dose of AstraZeneca/COVISHIELD VACCINE, or to wait until they are invited to book at a clinic to receive a first dose of an mRNA vaccine, sometime between May 3 to 31.

If you are 30 or older (born in the year 1991 or before), you may attend one of the clinics listed below to receive a first dose of AstraZeneca/COVISHIELD vaccine against COVID-19. Clinic locations, hours, and a link for booking appointments are below – you may attend any one of the clinics listed in this letter.

**This letter is not transferrable. Vaccine doses have been allocated for your staff only; do not share the link with others who are not members of your staff as they will be turned away at the clinic.**

**Eligibility:** School staff includes both instructional and non-instructional staff at eligible schools. This includes teachers, student support workers, principals/vice principals, office administrative assistants, librarians/counsellors, building engineers/custodians, food services, on-site daycare and pre-school staff, and bus drivers.

**Please note:** Second doses will be offered 16 weeks from the first dose based on provincial and national [recommendations](#). Data from jurisdictions around the world shows one dose of vaccine provides a high level of protection. When it's time to receive the second dose, your staff will be invited to receive it as they were for their first dose. It is important they retain the paper record of immunization to bring back to the clinic when it time for their second dose.

A list of FAQs is attached. If you have further questions, or want to know more about COVID-19 vaccination in VCH, please visit [VCH.ca](https://vch.ca).

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**ASTRAZENECA/COVISHIELD IMMUNIZATION CLINICS FOR K-12 EDUCATIONAL STAFF  
APRIL 27 – MAY 1**

[BOOK YOUR APPOINTMENT HERE](#)

## **VANCOUVER**

### **Vancouver Community College (north parking lot)**

**1155 East Broadway, Vancouver**

Wednesday, April 28	12:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 29	12:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Friday, April 30	12:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 1	9 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Sunday, May 2	9 a.m. – 7 p.m.

### **UBC - Pharmaceutical Sciences Building**

**2405 Wesbrook Mall, Vancouver**

Friday, April 30	12:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 1	9 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Sunday, May 2	9 a.m. – 7 p.m.

## **RICHMOND**

### **Kwantlen Polytechnic University**

**8771 Lansdowne Rd, Richmond**

Saturday, May 1	9 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Sunday, May 2	9 a.m. – 7 p.m.

### **Richmond River Rock (The Show Theatre)**

**8811 River Rd., Richmond**

Sunday, May 2	9 a.m. – 7 p.m.
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## **NORTH SHORE**

### **North Vancouver Test Collection Site**

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

Wednesday, April 28	2 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Thursday, April 29	2 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Sunday, May 2	9 a.m. – 7 p.m.

### **West Vancouver Community Centre**

**2121 Marine Dr., West Vancouver**

Wednesday, April 28	2 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Thursday, April 29	2 p.m. – 7 p.m.
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## **SQUAMISH**

**Brennan Park Recreation Centre**  
**1009 Centennial Way, Squamish, B.C.**  
 Tuesday, April 27      5:15 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

## **PEMBERTON**

**Pemberton Community Centre**  
**7390 Cottonwood St., Pemberton**  
 Friday, April 30      noon – 6 p.m.

## **SECHELT**

**Sechelt Seniors Activity Centre**  
**5604 Trail Ave., Sechelt**  
 Friday, April 30      noon – 8 p.m.

## **POWELL RIVER**

**Powell River Recreation Centre**  
**5001 Joyce Ave., Powell River**  
 Thursday, April 29      12:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.

### **WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE ATTENDING THE CLINIC:**

- The AstraZeneca/COVISHIELD vaccine will be offered at this clinic. If you prefer a different vaccine, it will be offered at a later date.
- This vaccine is recommended for those aged 30 and up (born in 1991 or before).
- 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.
- Please bring:
  - your driver's license (or other government issued photo ID)
  - Personal Health Number/BC Services Card, if you have one
  - Employee ID with school name listed or recent pay stub with school name listed or recent bank statement with payor school listed
- You will be provided with a medical mask and reminded to maintain physical distancing guidelines while at the clinic.
- After you receive your vaccination, please plan to stay on site for 15 minutes to ensure you experience no adverse effects, such as an allergic reaction.

**Important reminder: Provincial orders and guidelines remain in place for everyone, even if you have received the vaccine.**