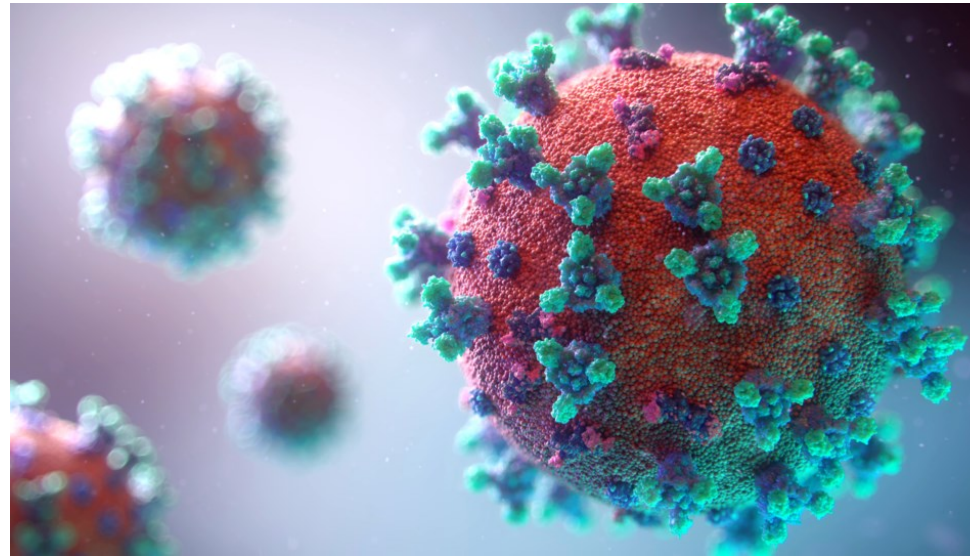


# Fraser Health Together

**Pandemic and Emergency Response  
Extreme Weather Update: December  
2021 Board**

# Agenda

1. COVID-19 cases
2. Vaccine update including boosters and 5-11 year olds
3. Variants of concern and impact
4. Emergency Response:  
Extreme weather



# Provincial COVID19 Monitoring Solution (PCMS)

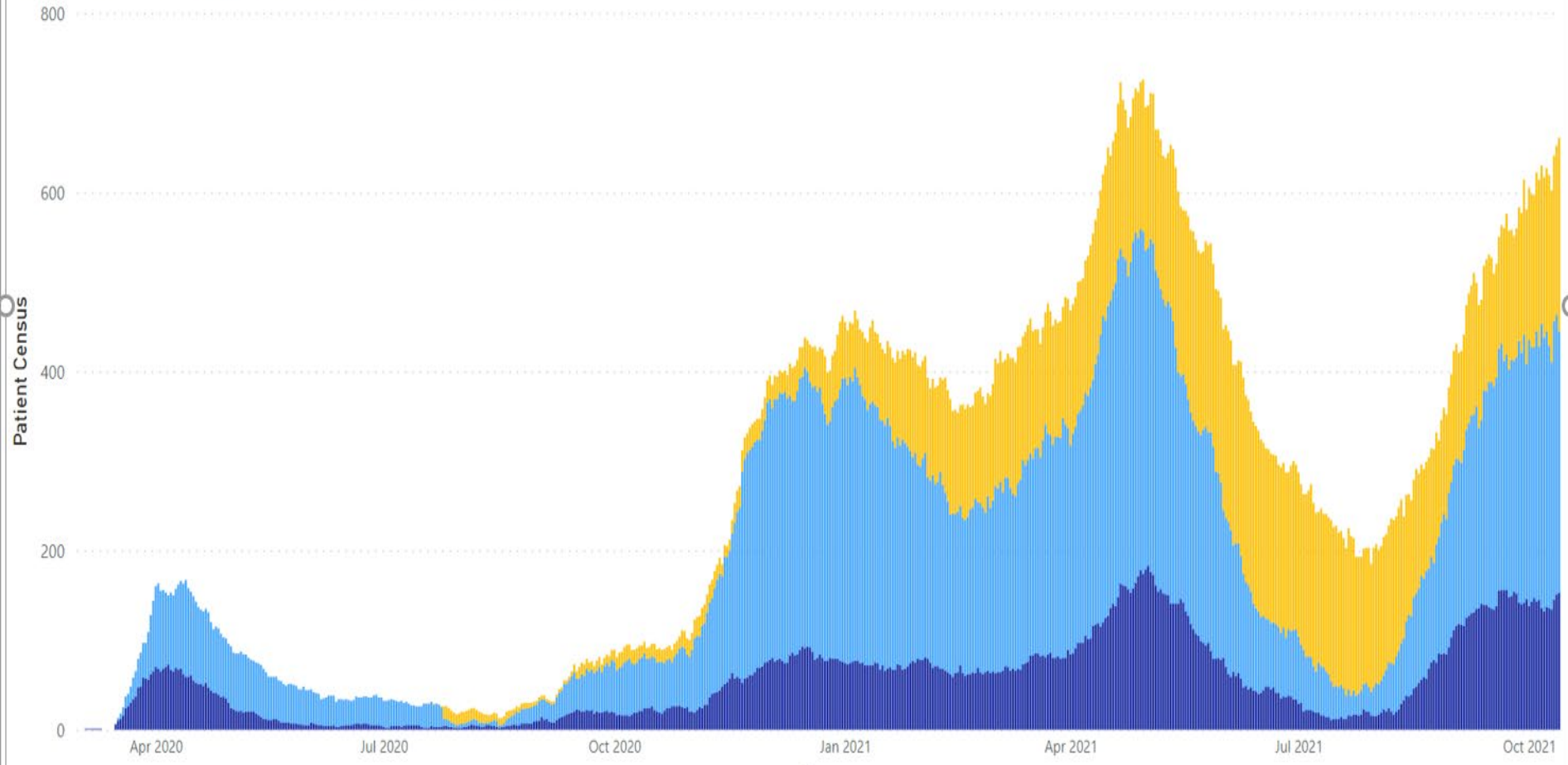
Health Authority

- FHA
- IHA
- NHA
- PHC
- PHSA
- VCH
- VIHA

Hospital Category

- COVID (Pri/Sec)
- Non-COVID

Care Level ● Critical Care ● Non-Critical Care ● Discontinued Isolation



## Current status- Fraser Health

### Data Dec. 7, 2021:

82 new cases

### Acute:

78 in hospital, 23 ICU/HAU

1 outbreak RMH

**LTC/AL: 1 outbreak**



**Keep washing those hands!**

# Mandatory Vaccine

Includes staff and medical staff plus contractors and volunteers in

- LTC/AL
- Acute

Acute and LTC visitors

**Coronavirus COVID-19**  
BC Centre for Disease Control | BC Ministry of Health

**Visitor Restrictions Are in Effect**

All visitors will be screened for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 and other respiratory illness prior to every visit

- All visitors must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 to enter the facility\*
- All visitors must provide acceptable proof of COVID-19 vaccination
- Clean hands using soap and water or alcohol-based hand sanitizer before and after visiting
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow and do not touch your face
- Respect personal space
- Up to two visitors are allowed at a time\*\*

\*Does not apply to children who are ineligible for the vaccine, those with an approved medical exemption, visitation for end-of-life care and in other specific care settings such as emergency rooms, intensive care units, pediatric care units, labour and delivery.  
\*\*Emergency rooms and intensive care units are limited to one support person at a time.  
More than two visitors may be allowed for pediatric care, labour and delivery, palliative and end-of-life care.

For immediate assistance, family members and visitors can request staff contact an available administrator.  
Still have questions? Please contact the Patient Care Quality Office at the number below. Someone will get back to you during regular business hours.

Logo bar: Fraser Health, Greater Health, Pacific Health, Vancouver Coastal Health, Providence, Provincial Health Services Authority

# Vaccine Update

Fraser Health Dose 1: 92.0 %

Fraser Health Dose 2: 89.1 %

Fraser Health Dose 3: 9.9 %

Dose 3: LTC/AL complete

: immunosuppressed and some CEV

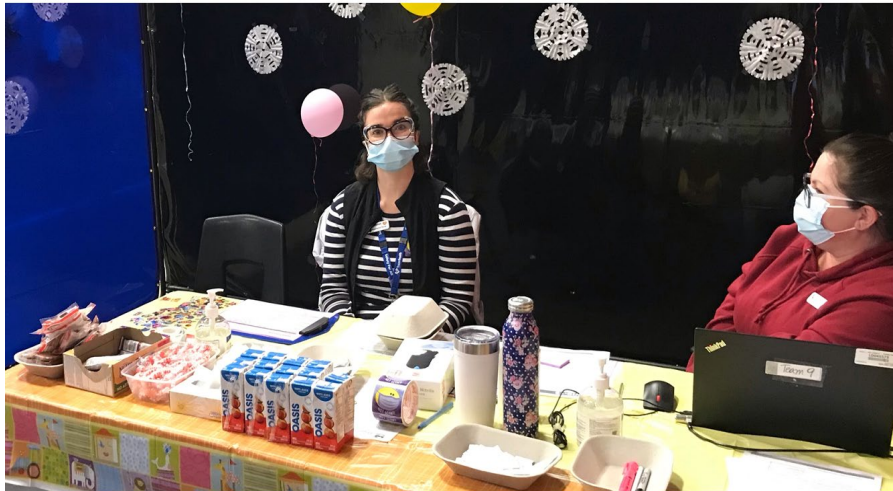
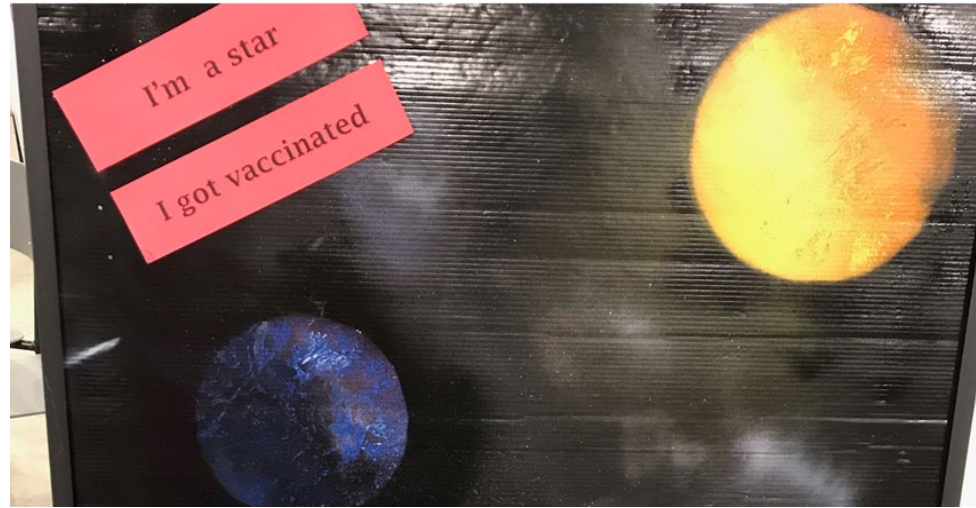
: started dose 3 with short interval and  
over 70

: Indigenous whole of community clinics

Dose 1: 5-11 year olds











# New Variants - Omicron Update

- Viruses mutate and the most transmissible variant will always rise to the top
- Zero-COVID is not achievable
  - Immunity wanes, from disease or vaccine
- Need to learn to live with it, ideally reduce it to a “common cold”, as with other coronaviruses
- Key issues are virulence of Omicron and whether vaccine protects against severe disease, poor outcomes, not whether it prevents all cases

# Mink and COVID-19

- Mink are highly susceptible to COVID-19
- Virus can circulate in mink farms due to size of herds, close quarters, new variants emerge and can jump to humans
- Concern that mink variants may undermine effectiveness of vaccine (vaccine escape)
- Some jurisdictions have placed restrictions on mink farming, culled herds

# Mink Farms in BC

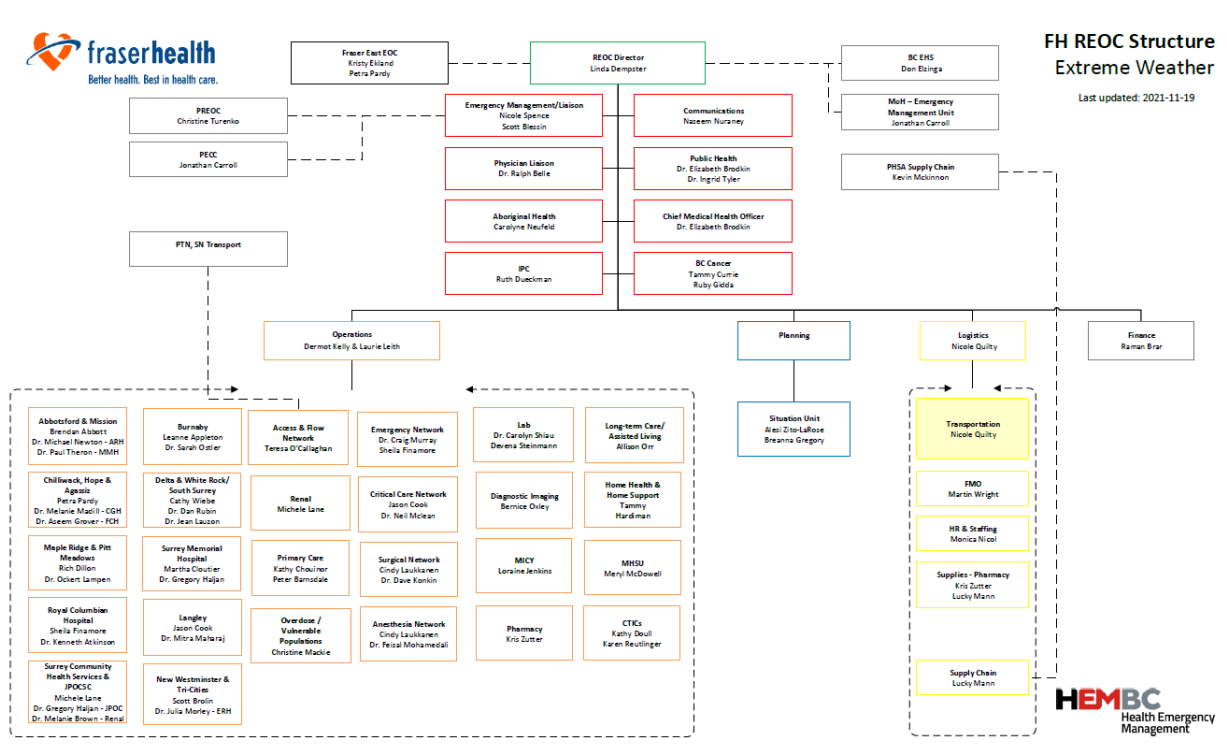
- Nine mink farms in BC, all in the Fraser Valley
- Outbreaks have occurred on three farms
  - Humans to mink
  - Between mink
  - Back to humans and outside of farm communities
- Surveillance, case management, outbreak control very time-consuming and resource intensive
- November 5 PHO ordered an end to breeding and a complete phase-out of the industry by April 2025

# Flood and Extreme Weather update



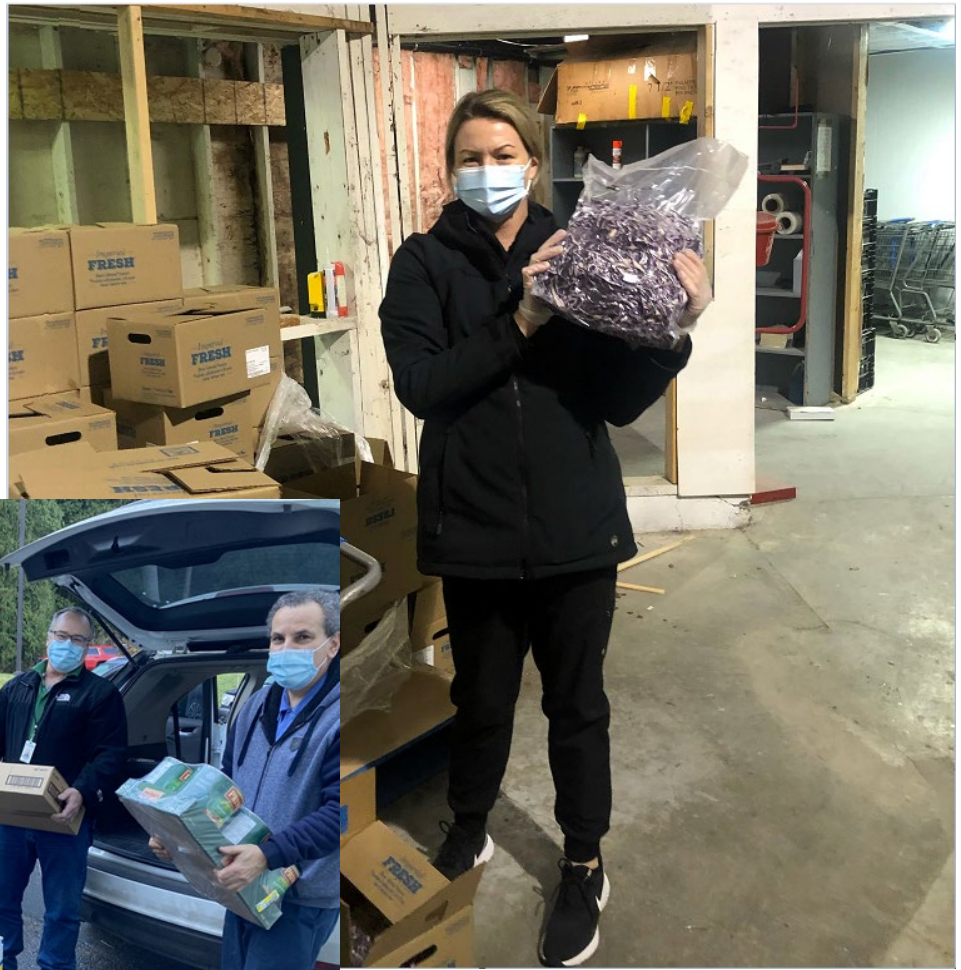


# Response infrastructure

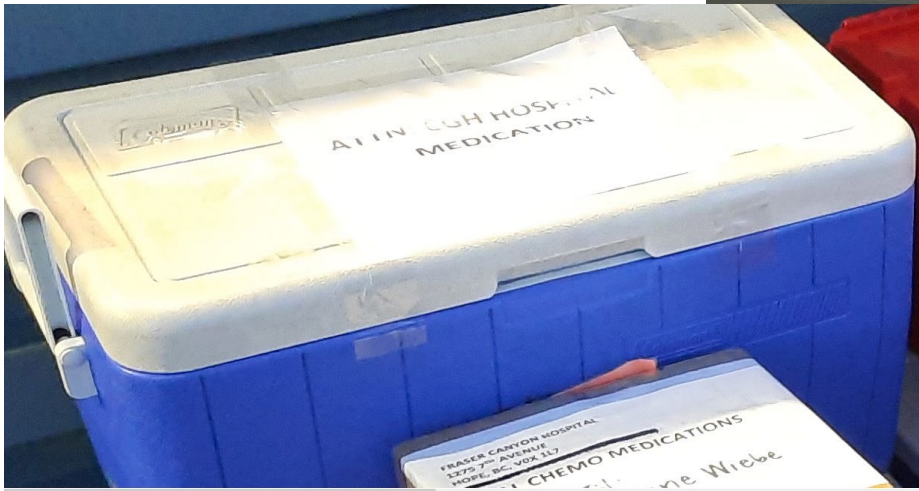


# CGH/ FCH/ARH areas











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Thank you to all of our staff and medical staff who opened their hearts and pulled out all stops to look after our patients, their families and each other.