COVID-19



Sent on behalf of the Fraser Health Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Coordination Centre

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NEW Updates to COVID-19 Swabbing Processes

- Please see attached KYI outlining updates from the BCCDC, in consultation with Fraser Health labs, to help ensure COVID-19 swabs coming from LTC, AL, and IL settings are valid and processed as soon as possible (within 48 hours of collection)
- Please see LTC/AL COVID Resource Toolkit for:
 - o NEW: Suspect COVID-19 (Non-Outbreak) Swabbing Checklist
 - o NEW: Sample Requisition Outbreak Site and/or Point Prevalence Testing: LTC, AL, IL Residents
 - o NEW: Sample Requisition Point Prevalence Testing: LTC, AL, IL Staff
 - o UPDATE: Sample Requisition Non-Outbreak Site: Suspect COVID-19 LTC and AL Residents

REVISED Admission Algorithms

- The Ministry of Health has provided direction to resume admissions to long-term care (LTC), convalescent care (CV) and assisted living (AL) facilities from community; as well as inter-facility transfers between publically funded LTC and AL facilities. Please see attached KYI for additional detail.
- Admission from acute care guidelines and algorithms have been updated to:
 - o remove intolerable risk for community transfers
 - o provide a table to clarify admissions in outbreak and non-outbreak scenarios
 - o include that COVID-19 vaccination will be provided prior to transfer when possible, but that it is not a requirement for admission
- See updated <u>Admissions to LTC/AL/CV from ACUTE CARE during COVID-19</u> and <u>Admissions to LTC/AL/CV from Community and LTC, CV, AL Inter-facility Transfers during COVID-19</u>

URGENT REMINDER First Dose Vaccine Clinics

- Additional first dose COVID-19 vaccine clinics are now available for long-term care and assisted living staff, medical staff and essential visitors
- See Talking Points for Leaders distributed January 27, 2021

NEW Fraser Health's Licensing program to resume routine inspections

• Please see attached letter for details

REVISED Daily Prevention Checklist

- Clarification that daily team huddles should still occur during outbreak
- See updated checklist here

NEW Town Hall

- Attached is the agenda for February 2nd Town Hall
- Attached is presentation from the January 26th Town Hall
- Q & A is available here, unanswered questions from the Town Hall will be posted by Friday