

Emergency Operation Centre (EOC)

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Good day,

Our EOC are still monitoring the situation with regards to COVID-19 and will be enforcing the restrictions put forth by the Province of BC should those restrictions be announced which is looking more like it will happen soon considering the spike in covid cases within BC daily. We are definitely not out of the pandemic nor is it time to let our guards down considering the Delta variant is spreading into areas within BC including our Northern Health region.

The Delta variant for those do not know is the variant of covid that is highly contagious, spreads faster and makes individuals severely ill but those fully vaccinated while still can get the virus & still can transmit to others are now known to not get severely ill and are contagious in less time. This is important information that our members need to know to make a decision on whether or not they still want to get their vaccines or not and now that we are coming up to flu season it will definitely need to make that decision sooner than later.

We ask our members to please still take precautions when out in public especially to larger gatherings such as events or shopping malls, etc. because it has been reported that people (even our own members) have been contracting the virus by visiting family, going to appointments and shopping in places such as Prince George. As of now areas such as the Central Okanagan (Kelowna and Peachland areas) are now back on restrictions so travel restrictions to those areas are in effect. Wear your masks which is mandatory, sanitize at all times and maintain your distance by avoiding large gatherings if possible.

To date, these are the following numbers of vaccinations that occurred in the clinics at the start but we don't have the numbers for our members who received their vaccinations at clinics that opened up at like arenas or any other facilities that started giving vaccines:

WOYENNE: 1st doses from January through to March 2021 – 279 members

2nd doses in June 2021 – 260 members

FORT BABINE: 1^{st} doses from June through to August 2021 - 9 members

 2^{nd} doses from June through to August 2021 - 26 members

TACHET: 1^{st} doses from January through to August 2021 - 8 members

 2^{nd} doses from January through to August 2021 - 49 members

According to these numbers that are available to the health department it shows that there still needs to be more of our members vaccinated and the numbers are difficult to track as some were vaccinated off reserve of which LBN has no access to those numbers. The following information on vaccinations is now implemented by the Provincial Government that all LBN members, staff and leadership should know:



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PROOF OF VACCINATIONS

Proof of vaccinations will now be required before attending any of the following where by September 13th you must have at least your first dose and by October 24th you have to be fully vaccinated with both doses.

The requirement applies to all people born in 2009 or earlier (12+) and covers:

- Indoor ticketed concerts, theatre, dance, symphony and sporting events
- Indoor and outdoor dining at restaurants, pubs and bars
- Nightclubs and casinos
- Movie theatres
- Gyms, pools and recreation facilities
 - o Does not include youth recreational sport
- Indoor high intensity group exercise
- Indoor organized gatherings like weddings, parties, conferences, meetings and workshops
- Indoor organized group recreational classes and activities like pottery and art
 - o Does not include K to 12 school and before and after school programs
- Post-secondary on-campus student housing. Note: Students must be partially vaccinated by September 7

Events, businesses and services will ask to see your proof of vaccination and valid government ID.

The requirement is in place until January 31, 2022, subject to extension.

VACCINATION CLINICS

The following are dates as of today to get vaccinated at the Lakes District Hospital as you can see there are appointment only days and walk-ins:

August 26	Booked – Imms BC	9am-3pm	Online: gov.bc.ca/getvaccinated
			Phone Toll Free: 1-833-838-2323
August 27	Walk-In	9am-3pm	Walk-In
Sept. 1	Walk-In	10am-12pm &	Walk-In
		1pm-6pm	
Sept. 2	Booked – Imms BC	9am-12pm &	Online: gov.bc.ca/getvaccinated
		1pm-3pm	Phone Toll Free: 1-833-838-2323

- To book an appointment online: gov.bc.ca/getvaccinated
- To book an appointment by telephone: Toll Free 1-833-838-2323
- To attend a Walk-In Clinic; no need to book ahead