

# Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH)

## Instructions for Obtaining Recommended Vaccinations and/or Tests

### Step 1: Where to obtain vaccinations

There are 2 options to obtain the recommended vaccinations:

#### Option 1:

- You can attend a VCH immunization clinic by appointment with the VCH Field Service Nursing Team using the booking link: <https://vchpeoplesafety.janeapp.com>
- Please refer to the VCH immunization schedule for dates and locations. The most-up-to-date schedule can be found on the VCH Intranet using the link below: <https://my.vch.ca/working-here/health-safety-wellness/health-safety-at-work/communicable-disease-prevention/baseline-health-immunization-assessments>

#### Option 2:

- You can make an appointment at one of the partner pharmacies immunization provider list (refer to the VCH Partner Pharmacies Immunization Providers List).

#### Note:

- If you are located at a Provincial Health Services Authority (PHSA) site, you also have the option to book an appointment with the PHSA OHN Team using the link: <https://immphsa.janeapp.com/>.
- If you are located at a Fraser Health (FH) site and have questions about the above options, please contact the VCH Field Service Nurse at [SafetyandPreventionFSN@vch.ca](mailto:SafetyandPreventionFSN@vch.ca) to discuss.
- **Print a copy of your employee vaccine & immunity status report and bring it to your appointment, so the vaccinator will know what is recommended.**

### Other VCH sites

#### For Bella Bella/Bella Coola:

- Print a copy of your employee vaccine & immunity status report and bring it to your appointment with the local Public Health Nurse or Health Care Provider so they know what vaccinations/tests are recommended.

**For remote sites, you are not able to attend a clinic or having issues obtaining vaccinations and/or tests:**

- Please contact the VCH Field Service Nurse Team at [SafetyandPreventionFSN@vch.ca](mailto:SafetyandPreventionFSN@vch.ca) to discuss your options.
- Reimbursement for vaccinations obtained outside the free VCH site clinics must be pre approved through the email address above.

### Step 2: TB screening

- If you are a **Health Career Access Program (HCAP) student at VCH**, you may require TB Screening. TB skin tests done within the past 6 months or chest x-rays done within the past 1

year are accepted. TB testing is only provided on specific days noted on the VCH immunization clinic schedule. When you arrive at the clinic, please inform the nurse that you are part of HCAP. Please note that you will be required to return to the clinic within 48 hours to have the TB skin test read.

- **Note:** MMR and/or chicken pox vaccines can potentially affect TB skin test results. TB skin testing should be completed on the same day as MMR and/or chicken pox vaccination or delayed for at least 4 weeks.

### Step 3: Report your vaccinations/tests

- If you have vaccination/test updates or records, please submit them using the Vaccination Status Self-Reporting tool at: <https://healthandsafety.healthcarebc.ca> by selecting the “**Existing Employee**” option.
- If you receive vaccinations at a PHSA or Island Health staff immunization clinic, the records will be updated in your employee record accordingly.

**Note:** If your COVID-19 vaccine was given outside of BC, please use the link: <https://immunizationrecord.gov.bc.ca/> to register your COVID-19 vaccine into the Provincial Immunization Registry (please use Chrome).

### Step 4: Self-look-up report

- To access your employee vaccination & immunity status, refer to the self-look-up report by selecting the link: [VCH](#) or by copying the link: <https://ohsbi.phsa.ca/sites/vcha/OHS/WMO05003.rdl> (please use Chrome or Edge)
- Your self-look-up report is only accessible from the health organization networks.

### Step 5: IF lab tests are recommended

**If lab tests have been recommended for you, please follow up with a Health Care Provider (HCP) to discuss post-vaccine testing.**

- **NOTE:** If you have had a previous Reactive (Immune) Hepatitis B titre (blood test), please contact the Provincial Workplace Health Contact Centre (PWHCC) to discuss this with a nurse before following the above instructions.
- Please follow up with your HCP for your titre results to determine if further vaccinations may be recommended.

**If you are unable to access the online reporting tool or have vaccination questions or concerns, please contact the Provincial Workplace Health Contact Centre (PWHCC) Nursing Team by email at: [HH@WHCallCentre.ca](mailto:HH@WHCallCentre.ca)**