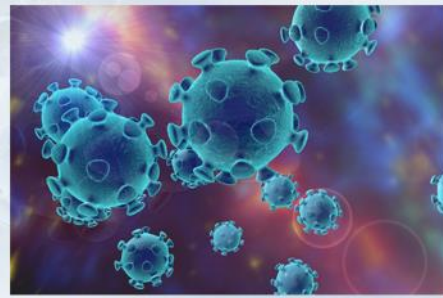


COVID-19 Update

Employee and Physician Information



Update from CEO and Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) June 23, 2021

General update

- There were no new individuals diagnosed with COVID-19 in the province today. Please see pandemic hub for up to date information [here](#).

Operations Update

- New vaccine appointments have been added on the appointment booking [site](#) for both first and second doses of COVID-19 vaccine for up to July 15. There are enough appointments to vaccinate every individual who will be eligible for a second dose up to July 15. More appointments will be added regularly as vaccine supply is confirmed and more people are eligible.
- Pfizer and Moderna vaccines are both mRNA vaccines and are now interchangeable. Individuals booking appointments will select mRNA vaccine and either Moderna or Pfizer will be provided depending on vaccine availability. At this time, Pfizer is the only vaccine approved for individuals aged 12-17. The Pfizer vaccine will be available at all locations for this age group.
- On Monday, updates were made to visitor restrictions at all facilities (see details [here](#)).
- On Friday, mandatory eye protection was discontinued for client, patient, resident encounters. This decision was made because Public Health investigations in the Stephenville area found there was no widespread community transmission and the active cases of COVID-19 cases have decreased.

Human Resources Update

- Spending time in nature is good for your physical and mental health! It can reduce stress, improve mood, increase productivity and fitness levels, help you sleep and better manage your health. Check out these tips for getting healthy and suggestions on how to spend time in nature [here](#). Whether you choose to visit a park or explore other areas, enjoy nature anywhere.
- Create your own bucket full of ideas to spend time in nature this summer and notice how good it makes you feel (see [here](#)).
- Reach out if you need support. Visit [Bridgethegapp.ca](https://www.bridgethegapp.ca) for services near you or call the Employee Assistance Program at 1-866-784-5306.
- Please feel free to call the Toll Free COVID-19 Navigation Staff Line (1-833-920-0096) or email COVID19@westernhealth.nl.ca with your questions or inquiries.

Please see our [COVID-19 Intranet page](#) for more information