Greetings Mayor and Council,

Here is today's **Provincial Heath Office Update – 5/21/2020**

Number of Cases:
- 12 new cases
    - Total cases in BC: 2,479
- 887 ⬛VCH
- 1,223 ⬛FHR
- 126 ⬛VIH
- 183 ⬛IHA
- 60 ⬛NHA

- No new outbreaks in long term care facilities
    - 17 ongoing

- 1 new community outbreak
    - 1 case at Matsqui federal corrections institution

- United Poultry outbreak has now been declared over and plant is operating

Hospitalizations
- 43 currently in hospital
    - 8 in ICU
    - 19 in VCH
- Hospital beds are at 69% capacity

Deaths
- 3 additional deaths
- 152 total deaths in BC

Recoveries
- 2,020 people fully recovered

Comments
- ☐ 40,000 travellers entering BC have been screened
    - 125 people provided with accommodation to self-isolate
- ☐ Cases and gender in BC:
    - 52% of cases in women and 48% of cases in men
    - 60% of those hospitalized are men and men account for 62% of deaths
    - These stats are in keeping with international stats that show the health effects of COVID-19 are more severe for men
- ☐ Non-medical masks are recommended as an additional precaution in certain situations, including enclosed settings like transit and when getting personal services like haircuts

- Province is confident in approach for reopening schools in June and safety protocols that are in place
- 290,000 people have completed the BC COVID-19 survey

Next Updates
- News release tomorrow afternoon
- Dr. Henry press conference at 1 pm on Sat

Best,
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