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Good Afternoon:

Here's a summary of the Dr Henry / Min Dix 24 March 2020 update:

#### Dr. Bonnie Henry

- New cases since last briefing: 145
  - o 67 on March 23
  - o 78 on March 24
- Total # cases in BC: 617 - broken down by Health Authority (HA) below:
  - o 330 VCH
  - o 194 FHA
  - o 44 VIH
  - o 4 HA
  - o 9 NHA
- 0 additional deaths since last update (BC deaths remain at 13)
  - o Most deaths related to the Lynn Valley Care Home (10 residents died in that outbreak).
- 2 additional long term homes have been affected. Still of note is the Lynn Valley Long term Care Home: 42 residents / 21 staff infected
- 173 individuals have fully recovered
- Pacific Dental Conference death known to public health officials / all close contacts of the individual have been identified and have been put into isolation. (No further information at this point.) Cannot definitively say the dentist died of COVID-19.
  - o 32 ppl became ill after attending the conference. (A major source of infections in BC)
- Approximately 30,000 tests have been done province-wide:
  - o BC is testing everyone for who they don't know the source of their infection, not people with whom there is a known source of infection.
- There has been an increase in numbers across BC, with the majority of cases in the Lower Mainland
  - o Stress physical distancing to break the chains of transmission

#### Minister Dix

- Hospital beds, province-wide 3,866 available
  - o Currently at a 60% occupancy rate of beds, as patients who no longer need beds have been discharged
  - o Indicates necessary preparation to increase capacity of hospitals to take in new patients
  - o Have never seen such low levels of occupancy in BC hospitals prior to COVID-19
- Critical care occupancy 55% across BC hospitals
- Next few weeks will be difficult / numbers will continue to rise, but if we all social distance, should lower

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