# RUSH Bullet SNs - MMF - COVID Working Group

From: Kiewiet, Nargis PSSG:EX <Nargis.Kiewiet@gov.bc.ca>
To: Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX <Wayne.Rideout@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: August 16, 2021 2:43:35 PM PDT

Hi Wayne,

Below Bullets for MMF for tomorrow's pre-brief meeting. Glen has approved. Need your approval ASAP as this needs to go to A/DSG and then MMF today.

Thank you

Nargis Kiewiet | Executive Coordinator

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Sent: Sunday, August 15, 2021 7:19 PM

To: Kiewiet, Nargis PSSG:EX <Nargis.Kiewiet@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: Bullet SNs - MMF - COVID Working Group

See my edits. Good to go.

- Controlling access to events and business to only those who are double-vaccinated is not the role of the
  police. They simply do no have the authority, capacity or mandate to control access to those businesses, or
  sporting or concert events who decide to limit customer access on the basis of vaccination status. Police
  resources are properly authorized and focussed on public safety issues such as responding to fires, gang
  conflict, protests, and the general policing demands that are a priority across the entire province.
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- Public health guidance to business is to focus on the fundamental measures of communicable disease
  prevention which includes using appropriate layers of protection such as hand washing and personal hygiene
  practises, and staying home if people are sick or not feeling well. It is not the role of police to demand proof
  of vaccination status any turn away those who do not have such proof to private sector events.
- While the government encourages all British Columbians to get the vaccine, it is NOT mandatory and public health has advised that there will be no recommendation that businesses ask for proof of vaccination for individuals to access a business including a sport event, concert, etc.
- If some businesses choose to require proof of vaccination, there may be legal and privacy implications when placing controls on access to their place of business; however, this is not, in the first instance, for enforcement by police. If a legitimate reason arises for police to respond to a situation, they will continue to do so and in a priority based on the risks of concurrent calls for service.

**From:** Kiewiet, Nargis PSSG:EX < <u>Nargis.Kiewiet@gov.bc.ca</u>>

Sent: Sunday, August 15, 2021 2:24 PM

To: Lewis, Glen PSSG:EX < Glen.Lewis@gov.bc.ca > Subject: Bullet SNs - MMF - COVID Working Group

Hi Glen,

Matt's bullets below for Tuesday's pre-brief with MMF.

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Sent: Thursday, August 12, 2021 3:27 PM

To: Kiewiet, Nargis PSSG:EX < Nargis.Kiewiet@gov.bc.ca > Cc: Lewis, Glen PSSG:EX < Glen.Lewis@gov.bc.ca > Subject: RE: Bullet SNs - MMF - COVID Working Group

Hi Nargis,

I have reached out to the Deputy Provincial Health Officer for any additional background but in the interim, have pulled together the following information informed by key messages from Dr. Bonnie Henry's press conference today. Here you go with a cc to Glen:

- The province has worked hard throughout the pandemic to support businesses and workers so that businesses can stay open and keep people safe.
- Police officers in BC do not have the authority, nor are they required to enforce the decisions made by businesses who choose to ask for proof of vaccination before allowing entry of individuals into businesses including sporting events, concerts, etc.
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Thanks, Matt

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Subject: Fwd: Bullet SNs - MMF - COVID Working Group

Hi Matt,

Please see Nikki's email below. Will you please have bullets SN prepared for MMf.

thank you and sorry for the short notice.

Nargis

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From: "Duncan, Nikki PSSG:EX" < Nikki.Duncan@gov.bc.ca>

Date: August 12, 2021 at 1:22:28 PM PDT

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Cc: "Lewis, Glen PSSG:EX" < Glen.Lewis@gov.bc.ca > Subject: Bullet SNs - MMF - COVID Working Group

Hi Nargis,

MMF is attending COVID working group meeting on Tuesday. There will be discussion regarding mandatory vaccinations to attend events (eg. concerts, sporting events, etc) and other locations and the question of enforcement may arise. For the purposes of that discussion it will be important to differentiate between access control vs. enforcement. Can you please have someone draft some short SNs in bullet form for MMF to refer to? We will be doing a prebrief with the Minister, where Wayne will be needed, but he is not needed for the actual committee meeting. I'll confirm date/time of the pre-brief shortly.

Thank you! Nikki

# RE: tomorrow's announcement

From: Maloughney, Mary Sue LCRB:EX <MarySue.Maloughney@gov.bc.ca>
To: McAndrews, Caroline GCPE:EX <Caroline.McAndrews@gov.bc.ca>

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<Donna.Sitter@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: August 19, 2021 11:04:31 AM PDT

Yes that aligns with what was presented at DMC COVID. Thanks Caroline.

Mary Sue Maloughney

Assistant Deputy Minister and General Manager

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Subject: RE: tomorrow's announcement

#### Confidential:

Announcement tomorrow at 2pm, vax mandate will be put in place for a list of businesses.

Details will follow, basically a call to action.

Effective Sept 1st, must have 1 shot, as of Oct 1st, must have 2nd shot.

Includes restaurants, bars, casinos, movies, sports, theatre etc.

Not sure what we will get in advance.

The DM COVID committee is looped in, was wondering if you were on that.

The only additional info is that there will be a industry roundtable tomorrow morning before the announcement and those participants will be informed.

Asked MOH for a list of those invited stakeholders but nothing so far.

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### ----Original Message-----

From: Maloughney, Mary Sue LCRB:EX <MarySue.Maloughney@gov.bc.ca

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Sent: August 19, 2021 10:04 AM

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Subject: Re: tomorrow's announcement

I was in cabinet but did not hear where the minute landed since then.

On Aug 19, 2021, at 10:00 AM, McAndrews, Caroline GCPE:EX <Caroline.McAndrews@gov.bc.ca <mailto:Caroline.McAndrews@gov.bc.ca> > wrote:

## **Updated Bullets**

From: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>

To: Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX <Wayne.Rideout@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: August 19, 2021 4:42:11 PM PDT

Attachments: image001.png, image003.jpg, Updated SG Bullets Vaccine status.docx,

image002.png

Hi Wayne,

Please see the revised bullets as requested by the A/DSG today. Thanks to Cole for coordinating this including a quick consult with legal. Note: upon further analysis, it appears it may be possible to connect this to CRMA through the Protective Measures Order. Details are explained in the attached.

**Jamie** 



# Jamie Lipp | Executive Director COMMUNITY SAFETY UNIT

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UPDATED SG Bullets - Speaking Notes

Re: MMF - Implementing proof of vaccination requirements at Events and the Role of Police Cliff:

Branch: Policing and Security Branch

## The Existing Law and the Role of the Police

- Controlling access to events and business to only those who are double-vaccinated is not
  the role of the police. They do not have the authority, capacity or mandate to control
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  to respond to a situation, they will continue to do so and in a priority based on the risks of
  concurrent calls for service.

### **Implementing Vaccine Requirements at Events**

## Legal considerations

- A requirement to provide proof of vaccination in order to attend certain non-essential
  events would need done to be done by the Medical Health Officer (MHO) or Provincial
  Health Officer (PHO) under the Public Health Act. Such a requirement would need to be
  considered by the MHO or PHO as necessary to protect public health and could not be
  made by the Solicitor General.
- Legal advice should be sought generally and specifically to determine if it is permissible
  to have operators of events or law enforcement requiring individuals to provide proof of
  vaccination status.

### COVID-19 Related Measures Act (CRMA)

• On advice of the PHO, it was determined that the *Protective Measures* Order would continue to have effect after the state of emergency ended in order to provide for ongoing

- enforcement of PHO orders (i.e. Gatherings and Events and Liquor Serving Premises Order).
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- Through the Protective Measures Order individuals could be required to show proof of
  vaccination to attend gatherings and events like night clubs and major sporting events
  under the Protective Measures (COVID-19) Order No. 2. The initial concept would be to
  require that events require proof of vaccination as a condition of operation and that
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- While using CRMA is a way to take immediate action, the legislation expires on December 31, 2021.
- s.13

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## **RE: Updated Bullets**

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Sent: August 19, 2021 5:38:20 PM PDT

Attachments: Updated SG Bullets Vaccine status (003).docx

Bolded small changes I made- take a look.

#### Mary Sue Maloughney

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Subject: Fwd: Updated Bullets

As requested

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## Re: Question for PSSG or AG re tomorrow's announcement

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<Donna.Sitter@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: August 22, 2021 11:36:09 AM PDT

Hi- I would refer to AG to have them answer the specific legal elements of what constitutes forgery.

Thanks Glen

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 22, 2021, at 12:18 PM, McAndrews, Caroline GCPE:EX <Caroline.McAndrews@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Hi Wayne/Glen, see below. Us or AG?

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Date: August 22, 2021 at 11:07:09 AM PDT

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Timothy GCPE:EX" <Timothy.Chu@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: Question for PSSG or AG re tomorrow's announcement

Hi Caroline and Tim,

I'm hoping you can help track down this answer from the PSSG ministry or AG.

If someone were to forge a "proof of vaccination" or vaccine passport (eg the record of vaccination available online), is that considerered forgery under the Criminal Code of Canada?

Criminal Code (justice.gc.ca)

Let me know, thanks.

Aileen Machell (she/her) Communications Director Health Communications 250-361-5381

# FW: BC Gov News - Mask mandate to reduce transmission, protect people in public spaces

From Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>

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Sent: August 24, 2021 11:08:36 AM PDT

FYI on new Mask Order issued by PHO this morning effective tomorrow province-wide. I have reached out to the PHO's office to get info on expectations and pending authorities for enforcement. We are already getting questions form our policing partners. We have a standing meeting scheduled with them next week and will decide if we may need a special meeting on this subject sooner once we get more info. The team is digging-in to see what more we can find out.

**Jamie** 

From: Brown, Matthew G PSSG:EX < Matthew.G.Brown@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: Tuesday, August 24, 2021 11:02 AM

**To:** Latham, Hope GCPE:EX <Hope.Latham@gov.bc.ca>; Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>; Winegarden, Cole PSSG:EX <Cole.Winegarden@gov.bc.ca>; Barker, Amy PSSG:EX <Amy.Barker@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: RE: BC Gov News - Mask mandate to reduce transmission, protect people in public spaces

Excellent, thanks Hope.

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Sent: Tuesday, August 24, 2021 11:01 AM

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Subject: Fwd: BC Gov News - Mask mandate to reduce transmission, protect people in public spaces

Just noticed this NR

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Ministry of Health Office of the Provincial Health Officer

### **NEWS RELEASE**

Mask mandate to reduce transmission, protect people in public spaces

VICTORIA - As of Wednesday, Aug. 25, 2021, masks must be worn in all indoor public spaces throughout B.C. to help slow the transmission of COVID-19 as B.C. prepares for the fall and respiratory illness season.

A new order from the provincial health officer will require people 12 and older to wear masks in indoor public settings, regardless of vaccination status. These settings include:

- \* malls, shopping centres, coffee shops and retail and grocery stores;
- \* liquor and drug stores;
- \* airports, city halls, libraries, community and recreation centres;
- \* restaurants, pubs and bars (unless seated);
- \* on public transportation, in a taxi or ride-sharing vehicle;
- \* areas of office buildings where services to the public are provided;
- \* common areas of sport and fitness centres when not engaged in physical activity;
- \* common areas of post-secondary institutions and non-profit organizations; and
- \* inside schools for all K-12 staff, visitors and students in grades 4-12.

This temporary order will be reassessed as the B.C. vaccine card requirement is fully implemented in certain social and recreational settings, as announced on Aug. 23.

"As transmission of COVID-19 increases in B.C., primarily among unvaccinated people and in part due to the Delta variant, it's important to take this extra temporary step to make indoor public spaces safer for everyone," said Dr. Bonnie Henry, provincial health officer. "We need to continue doing the things that protect us, including wearing masks in indoor, public areas, practising hand hygiene regularly, staying away if we are sick and keeping a respectful distance from people. And most important of all, every person should get vaccinated to protect themselves, their loved ones and their community."

For the purposes of this order, a mask or face covering is defined as a medical or non-medical mask that covers the nose and mouth. Face shields are not a substitute for a mask, as there is an opening below the mouth.

"As unvaccinated people continue to get sick and hospitalized with COVID-19, we're taking another step to ensure we overcome COVID-19 together, and that we move forward together," said Adrian Dix, Minister of Health. "Our pandemic has always been about making good choices with the information we have and making the best choices to keep people safe. Now more than ever, we need to follow the advice and orders of the provincial health officer."

People who cannot wear a mask or who cannot put on or remove a mask without the assistance of others are exempt. A person may not be able to wear a mask for a psychological, behavioural or health condition, or due to a physical, cognitive or mental impairment.

Masks may be removed temporarily in indoor public places to identify the individual wearing the mask, to consume food or beverage at a location designated for this purpose, while participating in a sport or fitness activity in a sport facility or while receiving a personal or health service that requires the mask to be removed.

Masks are not recommended for children under the age of two, but should be encouraged for children aged two to 12 in public settings. Children older than 12 must wear a mask in a public indoor space, unless they are exempt.

### Learn More:

For information on the latest provincial health officer's orders and guidance, non-medical issues (such as travel recommendations) and how to manage social isolation, visit: www.gov.bc.ca/COVID-19

For more information and latest medical updates on COVID-19, visit the BC Centre for Disease Control's website: <a href="http://www.bccdc.ca">http://www.bccdc.ca</a>
Or follow on Twitter: @CDCofBC

For information on how to register and book a COVID-19 appointment, visit: www2.gov.bc.ca/getvaccinated (https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine/register)

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# Re: ADM Table for Vaccine Card (Passport) Implementation Discussion

From: Maloughney, Mary Sue LCRB:EX <MarySue.Maloughney@gov.bc.ca>

To: Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX <Wayne.Rideout@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Duncan, Nikki PSSG:EX <Nikki.Duncan@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: August 25, 2021 6:47:30 AM PDT

No - I agree. Nikki can you send Mary the latest bullets that went to MO on vaccines and enforcement.

On Aug 25, 2021, at 6:06 AM, Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX < Wayne.Rideout@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Great. I don't see us having a large role in passports. Thx

Wayne Rideout

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On Aug 24, 2021, at 7:28 PM, Maloughney, Mary Sue LCRB:EX <MarySue.Maloughney@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Given your load, I was thinking of giving this to Mary Shaw and then she can reach out to Jaime directly as needed as well as cover other corporate needs on this one. Thoughts?

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**Subject: ADM Table for Vaccine Card (Passport) Implementation Discussion** 

Good afternoon,

As you are aware the province is moving forward to implement a Vaccine Card (Passport) to support the requirement to show proof of vaccination status before entering into certain business' and events. To support the implementation of this measure Stephen has asked that I pull together an ADM table to meet on Thursday to start and discuss implementation approach and inform communication materials and any issues that we need to address to ensure a smooth implementation.

Can you please provide me with the name of your ADM to be included at this table.

Regards, Corrie

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# BC Gov News - B.C. launches proof of vaccination to stop spread of COVID-19

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## B.C. launches proof of vaccination to stop spread of COVID-19

Starting Sept. 13, 2021, proof of vaccination will be required in B.C. for people attending certain social and recreational settings and events.

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# FW: updated vaccine enforcement bullets

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Attachments: Updated SG Bullets Vaccine status final.docx

Hi Mel,

Let me know if you want a call set up for this afternoon with PSSG re Vaccines.

Sam

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Subject: FW: updated vaccine enforcement bullets

Good morning – please see attached updated bullets for Minister's information. We can arrange a quick call today

w/ the Minister, PSB & Mary Sue if you think that would be helpful.

Thank you Nikki

#### **UPDATED SG Bullets**

Re: Enforcement of vaccination requirements

## The Existing Law and the Role of the Police

- Controlling access to events and business to only those who are double-vaccinated is not
  the role of the police. They do not have the authority, capacity or mandate to control
  access to those businesses, or sporting or concert events who decide to limit customer
  access on the basis of vaccination status.
- Police resources are properly authorized and focussed on public safety issues such as responding to fires, gang conflict, protests, and the general policing demands that are a priority across the entire province.
- While the government encourages all British Columbians to get the vaccine, it is NOT mandatory: it is not the role of police to demand proof of vaccination status and turn away those who do not have such proof to private sector events.
- Businesses and events who choose to institute vaccine-dependent access need to plan
  how they will manage their requirements when people seek access without being doublevaccinated. Their business response plan may include, for example, training for staff in
  dealing with these situations or retaining in-house or contracted security. Police are not
  and cannot be the default enforcement tool.
- If some businesses choose to require proof of vaccination, there may be legal and privacy implications when placing controls on access to their place of business; however, this is not, in the first instance, for enforcement by police. If a legitimate reason arises for police to respond to a situation, they will continue to do so and in a priority based on the risks of concurrent calls for service.

## Implementing Vaccine Requirements – high risk of transmission/non-essential activities

### Legal considerations

- A requirement to provide proof of vaccination in order to attend specific higher risk for
  exposure non-essential activities/events would need done to be done by the Medical
  Health Officer (MHO) or Provincial Health Officer (PHO) under the Public Health Act.
  Such a requirement would need to be considered by the MHO or PHO as necessary to
  protect public health and could not be made by the Solicitor General.
- Legal advice should be sought generally and specifically to determine if it is permissible
  to have operators of events or law enforcement requiring individuals to provide proof of
  vaccination status.

### COVID-19 Related Measures Act (CRMA)

 On advice of the PHO, it was determined that the *Protective Measures* Order would continue to have effect after the state of emergency ended in order to provide for ongoing enforcement of PHO orders (i.e. Gatherings and Events and Liquor Serving Premises Order).

- To that end, the *Protective Measures* Order was enacted as a CRMA provision by way of regulation order with an expiry date of December 31, 2021.
- Through the Protective Measures Order individuals could be required to show proof of
  vaccination to attend gatherings and events like night clubs and major sporting events
  under the Protective Measures (COVID-19) Order No. 2. The initial concept would be to
  require that events require proof of vaccination as a condition of operation and that
  individuals not attend these events unless they are able to provide proof.
- This would require the Provincial Health Officer to amend the Food and Liquor Serving Premises Order and/or the Gatherings and Events Order to introduce new requirements regarding proof of vaccination.
- The Provincial Health Officer would need to consider such an order necessary to protect public health
- While police would be authorized to issue violation tickets they are not and cannot be the default enforcement tool.
  - Police resources are properly authorized and focussed on public safety issues such as responding to fires, gang conflict, protests, and the general policing demands that are a priority across the entire province.
- Consideration could be given to utilizing existing provincial compliance and enforcement officers during the course of their regular duties.
- While using CRMA is a way to take immediate action, the legislation expires on December 31, 2021 and was not meant to be a long-term enforcement tool outside of a state of emergency.
- s.13

## Emergency Program Act (EPA)

• The EPA is not a tool that can be used. The state of emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic expired on July 1, 2021. Without a related state of emergency there is no authority to make emergency orders.

# KMQA Vaccine Passport

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Hi there: do you have anything to share re enforcement?

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Subject: RE: did you share KMQA

Here you go. Let me know if there are any you need help with.

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Lots of q's coming in from branches.

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# Proof of Vaccine Q&A: August 23, 2021

## **Key Messages:**

## **Primary messaging**

Getting vaccinated is a choice.

You can choose to be vaccinated, to protect yourself, protect your loved ones, and protect your community.

You can choose to be vaccinated to protect kids who can't get vaccinated, and those who have higher risk of severe illness or who may not develop as strong an immune response.

By choosing to get vaccinated, you choose to support local restaurants. To attend family weddings. To attend a Lions Game or Canucks Game. To go to spin class or hot yoga. To attend indoor festivals and events. To take in a concert.

This is your choice, and you can make it a positive one.

You have the power. You have the time.

Let's do this. Let's get it done.

You are also free to make other choices, and those choices have consequences.

Our hope is that you make the positive choice - get vaccinated.

## Primary – what we are announcing

- Proof of vaccination will soon be required to access certain social and recreational events, services and businesses to help protect people from COVID-19.
- We've always said getting vaccinated is a choice.
- And getting vaccinated is the best choice to protect yourself, the people you love, and to ensure you can continue to participate in these public and private events and settings.
- If you want to keep attending these events and settings, you will need to be vaccinated. Book your appointment today.

- This isn't happening overnight we're giving everyone advanced notice that this is coming soon, so people can book vaccine appointments and get ready.
- As of September 13<sup>th</sup>, people will need to at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine to enter these spaces:
  - o Indoor ticketed sporting events
  - o Indoor concerts
  - o Indoor theatre/dance/symphony events
  - o Restaurants (indoor and patio dining)
  - o Night Clubs
  - o Casinos
  - Movie Theatres
  - Fitness centres/gyms (excluding youth recreational sport)
  - o Businesses offering indoor high intensity group exercise
  - Organized indoor events (ex. weddings, parties, conferences, meetings, workshops)
  - Discretionary organized indoor group recreational classes and activities (excluding k-12 schools, before and after school programs)
- The specifics will be outlined in the PHO Order.
- As of October 24th, people need to be fully vaccinated with two doses, with at least 7 days passing after receiving the final COVID-19 vaccine dose to access these same spaces.
  - Individuals will be able to confidentially access their proof of vaccination through a secure website. A web link will be provided and publicized widely before September 13. Individuals will be able to save a copy of their proof of vaccination to their phone to show when entering or using designated businesses and events.
- A second, secure option will be provided for people who can't access the
  website through a provincial call-in centre. Details on the call centre to be
  shared in the coming days.
- We will continue to work with businesses over the coming weeks, so they
  have the support and information they need before this comes into effect.

## Secondary messaging:

 Getting vaccinated keeps everyone in B.C. safe and stops the spread of COVID-19.

- B.C. is underway with the largest immunization effort in the province's history.
- So far, close to 75 per cent of all eligible people have been fully vaccinated.
- This is excellent progress, but there is still more work to do.
- Public health continues to closely monitor case counts, hospitalizations, and deaths. We are still seeing a surge in cases primarily in groups of unvaccinated people.
- Roughly 90 per cent of recent cases are occurring in people who have not been fully vaccinated.
- We know the best way to put this pandemic behind us is through vaccines.
- They are safe, effective and allow us to return to doing the things we love.
- There are people who can't receive the vaccine for medical reasons or are not eligible (under the age of 12)— we need to keep boosting our vaccination rates to protect these people from transmission of COVID-19.

### **Questions and Answers**

### What are you announcing today?

- We are announcing that effective September 13th, people will be required to provide proof of vaccination in order to participate in certain social, recreational and indoor activities.
- The initial requirement is for at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine. Starting October 24<sup>th</sup>, people will need to be fully vaccinated (7 or more days after dose 2) to enter these settings.
- This is an important step to continue increasing our vaccination rate across the province and make our communities safer from COVID-19.

## Where is proof of vaccination required in B.C?

- Vaccination is required in B.C. in the following settings:
  - o Indoor ticketed sporting events

- o Indoor concerts
- o Indoor theatre/dance/symphony events
- o Restaurants (indoor dining and outdoor patios)
- o Night Clubs
- o Casinos
- o Movie Theatres
- o Fitness centres/gyms (excluding youth recreational sport)
- o Businesses offering high intensity group exercise
- Organized indoor events (ex. weddings, parties, conferences, meetings, workshops)
- Discretionary organized indoor group recreational classes and activities (excluding k-12 schools, before and after school programs)

## What will a proof-of-vaccination certificate look like? How would I use it?

- Individuals will be able to confidentially access their proof of vaccination through a secure website. A web link will be provided and publicized widely before September 13.
- A second, secure option will be provided for people who can't access the website.
- People will need to present their proof of vaccination, and ID in order to enter the specific settings outlined today.
- This proof of vaccination will be an interim solution as we work to transition to a federally compliant proof of vaccine later this fall.

## What will I need to get my proof of vaccination?

- Details will be widely publicized well in advance of September 13.
- People will need to present their:
  - Name
  - Date of birth
  - Personal health number

## Who did you consult with on the decision-making process?

- Throughout the entire pandemic, we have been working closely with stakeholders across a broad spectrum.
- We know that province-wide lockdowns are hard, not only on businesses, but on people and communities, too.
- That's why these new measures will make sure businesses can stay open and continue to serve their clientele with much lower risk of potential transmission.

 We have started and will continue with engagement with First Nations and Indigenous communities over the next several weeks as we move forward with these measures.

## How will you get the message out to businesses affected?

- Ministers across government, including the Ministry of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation are working hard to keep their stakeholders informed and updated with these changes.
- These new requirements will be effective starting September 13.
- We will continue to work closely with our partners, stakeholders and business community to keep people informed with the latest information.

## How will you get the message out to British Columbians?

- Throughout the entire pandemic, British Columbians have stepped up and come together to keep each other safe.
- These new proof of vaccine requirements will help keep everyone safe and prevent the transmission of COVID-19 and allow all those who are already vaccinated to safely continue all important social activities.
- We will continue to provide British Columbians with the latest information through our government channels.

### What are you hoping to get out of the mandatory proof of vaccinations?

- While COVID is still with us, vaccines have changed the way we live and deal with the virus.
- While vaccines have always been a choice, there may be some things people can't do unless they are vaccinated.
- Getting vaccinated protects yourself and your community and it's important that more people get vaccinated to make us all safer.
- Proof of vaccines is an important tool the province is using to boost vaccination rates and help put this pandemic behind us.

### How would my privacy be protected?

- We've engaged B.C.'s Information and Privacy Commissioner office on our plan and the process for accessing COVID-19 vaccination information.
- Our website will be secure, and the details will be widely publicized ahead of September
   13.

• No copy or record will be kept by the business or event, and it is at the discretion of the individual to show the information.

# What steps has B.C. taken in exploring privacy considerations around a pan-Canadian vaccine passport/proof-of-vaccination certificate?

- We have engaged the B.C.'s Privacy Commissioner office on the proof-of-vaccination plan.
- This plan allows us to implement a vaccine requirement in certain recreational and social settings as of September 13.
- Individuals will be able to confidentially access their proof of vaccination through a secure website. A web link will be provided and publicized widely before September 13.
- This vaccine card will be an interim solution as we work to transition to a federally compliant proof of vaccine this fall.
- Government has also been engaging the Information and Privacy Commission on this work.
- The briefings emphasize work being done collaboratively by all provinces and the federal government for a single, pan-Canadian proof-of-vaccination certificate for international travel, with the federal government as the lead.
- The briefings have also included the privacy principles considered for any proposed technical solutions, such as sharing the minimum information necessary.
- We will continue to work with B.C.'s privacy commissioner office and seek advice as we move forward with this initiative and a pan-Canadian solution is developed.

#### When will this start?

- On September 13, people will be required to provide proof of vaccination in order to visit indoor social settings like restaurants, bars, high-intensity fitness, and theatres.
   The first stage will require partial vaccination (at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine) to enter these settings.
- By October 24, people must be fully vaccinated (at least 7 days after their second dose of COVID-19 vaccine) to enter these settings.
- Every person who is registered and receives dose 1 in the next three weeks will have had access to dose 2 and be fully vaccinated by the time the measures are fully in force on October 24.
- Full vaccination may be required earlier in areas of high-transmission as designated by the local medical health officer.

## Will people be using their existing proof of vaccine cards?

No, our new process will be more secure. Printed copies are more easily forged.

- Individuals will be able to confidentially access their proof of vaccination through a secure website. A web link will be provided and publicized widely before September 13.
- There will also be a secure option for those who can't access the web link.

### My immunization record is wrong or I was vaccinated outside of BC. What should I do?

- You should update your immunization record if you got dose one or two in another province or country or if you believe your immunization status is wrong.
- You can update your immunization record here: https://www.immunizationrecord.gov.bc.ca/
- It takes 2-3 weeks to update your immunization record.
- If you have proof of vaccination from another province, you can use it to demonstrate your immunization status.

## I haven't been vaccinated yet. What should I do?

- If you haven't been vaccinated yet, there are still many quick and easy ways to do so.
- Communities throughout B.C. have drop-in clinics and are open 7 days a week.
- You don't need to register online or by phone before you arrive.
- You can find a walk-in clinic near you here: https://www2.qa.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine/vaxforbc
- You can also make an appointment to be vaccinated if that works better for you
- To register and get make an appointment to get vaccinated, visit <a href="https://www.getvaccinated.gov.bc.ca/s/">https://www.getvaccinated.gov.bc.ca/s/</a> or call 1-833-838-2323

# Will a second piece of government issued ID be required to insure a person is who they say they are?

- Yes, people will need to present their proof of vaccination and a piece of government issued identification to enter these settings while the PHO Order is in place.
- For people aged 12-17, proof of vaccination will suffice.

## What proof of immunization will be required for non-British Columbians?

- Proof of vaccination from other jurisdictions will be required for travelers visiting the province who are entering the settings outlined today.
- We will be communicating this requirement to other provinces.

- Local businesses will be able to download an easy-to-use reference visual checklist of documents used in other jurisdictions from the BCCDC website. We are working on mechanisms to verify proof of vaccinations from other jurisdictions, and more information will be provided soon.
- This is similar to what many businesses currently use for proof of age.

#### For out of Canada visitors?

- For foreign travellers, they will need to use proof of vaccination and ID from their home jurisdictions.
- Most travellers now need to be fully vaccinated to enter the country.

## How will you be able to ensure that outside of BC proof of vaccination is not fake?

- The proof of vaccination would need to match the format for the relevant jurisdiction, as set out in the document on the BCCDC website.
- Individuals from outside the province will show that proof of vaccination, alongside valid government identification.

# What steps will be taken to ensure that those under 12 are not spreading COVID in these settings?

- The best strategy is for those who are eligible to get vaccinated; having all people over age 12 vaccinated protects children who are not yet eligible and ensures they don't become infected themselves or transmit the virus.
- While not all British Columbians can be vaccinated, these measures are to assist us in reducing overall transmission in these settings throughout the fall and winter.
- We will continue to monitor transmission by age groups and publicly post these data on the BCCDC website.
- They are based on our strong recommendation that every eligible individual in BC get themselves vaccinated this is the best way to protect yourself, your family and friends, and your community.

## What support will be put in place to support businesses navigating these new rules?

- Throughout the entire pandemic, we have been working closely with stakeholders across a broad spectrum.
- We know that province-wide lockdowns are hard not only on businesses, but on people and communities, too.

- That's why these new measures will make sure businesses can stay open and continue to serve their clientele with much lower risk of potential transmission.
- We expect all businesses to comply with this order and will be engaging and working with them over the next several weeks.
- The Provincial Health Officer Order provides a solid basis for businesses to use this approach and removes any risk of them individually having to defend its use.
- All businesses will be provided with a download showing acceptable proof of vaccine from other Canadian jurisdictions.

## Does this apply to patios or just in-door dining?

This applies to indoor dining, including patios, but not drive-thrus and takeouts

### Has any other province implemented a proof of vaccine process?

- Manitoba has the "Manitoba Digital Immunization Card" along with physical Manitoba Immunization Cards. These cards will include your first and last names and a QR code. When scanned with the Manitoba Immunization Card app. the QR code will show that you are fully vaccinated.
- Quebec has a PDF digital proof of vaccination. It shows an individual's personal
  information, the vaccines they have received, the result of their first positive COVID-19
  screening test if they received a vaccine dose at least 21 days after the screening test, and a QR
  code containing the above information.

## How will you enforce businesses' compliance with the order?

- We expect everyone to comply with these orders to protect public health.
- We've worked with businesses throughout the pandemic and we expect they will comply.
- If there are outliers that don't comply, we will address it.

### What vaccines will be accepted?

- Pfizer-BioNTech (Comirnaty, tozinameran, BNT162b2)
- Moderna (mRNA-1273)
- AstraZeneca/COVISHIELD (ChAdOx1-S, Vaxzevria, AZD1222)
- Janssen/Johnson & Johnson (Ad26.COV2.S)

## What supports will businesses be provided?

- Throughout the entire pandemic, we have been working closely with stakeholders across a broad spectrum.
- We know that province-wide lockdowns are hard not only on businesses, but on people and communities, too.
- That's why these new measures will make sure businesses can stay open and continue to serve their clientele with much lower risk of potential transmission.
- We will be engaging with the business community over the next several weeks and providing communication ahead of the September 13 effective date.
- All businesses will be provided with a download showing acceptable proof of vaccine from other Canadian jurisdictions.
- We ask British Columbians to be kind.

# Why not require proof of vaccination for [x setting] (schools, congregate living incl. shelters or group homes etc.)?

- It remains vital that people continue to have access to essential services, regardless of their vaccination status.
- Getting more people vaccinated will make us all safer in every setting.
- The measures are aimed at reducing transmission by unvaccinated people at recreational and social events and activities.
- People have a choice choose to get vaccinated to protect yourself, your loved ones and your community. Or don't get vaccinated and stay away from these social and recreational settings.
- There will be tailored plans for schools and post-secondaries, and we will have more to say on this shortly.
- Other businesses or institutions may choose to adopt their own vaccination policies beyond the designated settings but would be responsible for doing their own due diligence.

# Are you still considering extending the proof of vaccine requirement to other settings (incl. health care)?

 We continue to look at all options to protect people in B.C., based on the evidencebased advice from public health.

Will the workers in these establishments need to be vaccinated?

- We aren't making vaccination mandatory for employment at this time, other than in specific areas of the health system starting with Long Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities.
- However, we continue to monitor the data and look at all options to keep people safe in B.C., based on the evidence-based advice from public health.
- We expect the measures announced today will encourage the vast majority of people working in these settings to be vaccinated, in order to continue to attend the specified social and recreational events and settings.
- Businesses or institutions may choose to adopt their own vaccination policies beyond the designated settings but would be responsible for doing their own due diligence.

### Will there be vaccination mandates for workers in other high-risk settings?

- We aren't making vaccination mandatory for employment at this time, other than in specific areas of the health system starting with Long Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities.
- However, we continue to monitor the data and look at all options to keep people safe in B.C., based on the evidence-based advice from public health.

### Why didn't you do this earlier?

- Vaccines have changed the way we live with COVID-19 and have helped us greatly in getting back to the things we love to do.
- But COVID-19 is still with us, and more transmissible variants like the Delta variant mean it can spread rapidly, even among vaccinated people.
- Most people in B.C. have stepped up, getting two doses of vaccine to protect themselves and their communities.
- But it is clear that further action is needed to help put this pandemic behind us we need more protection, in the form of even higher vaccination rates.

### What about drive-throughs?

• Proof of vaccination is not required for drive-thru restaurants, as long as the food is not taken inside the establishment to eat.

### Why do people not have to be fully vaccinated until October 31?

 We want everyone to get vaccinated now and be able to continue supporting these places.

- Younger people have only been eligible to be vaccinated for a few months.
- And summer is a busy time for many. We know things like work and family schedules
  may make it difficult for some people to find the time to get the vaccine.
- A phased implementation gives people the time they need to get vaccinated, with both doses of vaccine.

### Will I need a vaccine passport/proof-of-vaccination certificate to travel internationally?

- B.C. is working with the federal government and other provinces and territories on what a proof-of-vaccination certificate might look like for Canadians for international travel, with the federal government as the lead.
- It is anticipated to be ready this fall.
- The federal government is also working on a short-term solution for people who may need to travel before the proof-of-vaccination certificate is available.

# Will I need a proof-of-vaccination certificate to access private sector supports, programs or services?

The order will only apply to the list of settings identified in the PHO Order.

# If a person is asked to provide proof of vaccination to, for example, access services, business premises or to attend an event in B.C., what should they do?

- If you aren't vaccinated, register for your vaccine now! Or walk-into a vaccine clinic.
- Prior to attending an event or business that requires proof of vaccination, individuals will need to access their proof of vaccination record.
- People will be able to securely and confidentially access their proof of vaccination online.
- At admission to one of the designated businesses or activities, individuals will show their proof of vaccination (phone or paper copy) and show 1 other piece of ID such as Driver's licence or BC Services Card to confirm identify.
- No copy or record will be kept by the business or event, and it is at the discretion of the individual to show the information.

Will you introduce legislation/regulation to guide businesses in the private sector that might want to require proof of vaccination?

No.

- Employers are accountable for ensuring their workers' safety and should have in place COVID-19 safety plans – including a requirement to stay home when sick, and regular hand washing.
- Employers may decide to implement additional safety measures, including the decision to require vaccination for their employees, or specific requirements for staff working in their businesses who are not vaccinated, such as more frequent rapid testing and/or mask wearing.
- Given the higher transmissibility of the delta variant, all businesses should review the adequacy of their plans.

# Will the proof of vaccination requirement apply to employees at venues (concert halls, restaurants etc.) covered by the vaccination mandate?

- We aren't making vaccination mandatory for employment, other than in specific areas of the health system starting with Long Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities.
- Employers are accountable for ensuring their workers' safety and should have in place COVID-19 safety plans – including a requirement to stay home when sick, mask wearing where appropriate and regular hand washing.
- Given the higher transmissibility of the delta variant, all businesses should review the adequacy of their plans.
- We continue to monitor the data and look at all options to keep people safe in B.C., based on the evidence-based advice from public health.
- The initiatives announced today are to assist in reducing overall transmission over the fall and winter.
- We strongly recommend that every eligible individual in BC get themselves vaccinated this is the best way to protect yourself, your family and friends, and your community.

# Will businesses/organizations be able to set their own requirement for proof of vaccine in venues beyond those covered by the PHO order?

- We are introducing a provincial proof of vaccine requirement for designated settings removes the need for these businesses to set their own vaccine requirement.
- The PHO Order provides a solid basis for businesses to use this approach and prevents them from having to defend any action they might have taken individually in this regard.
- The use of additional measures in other settings will be an individual business decision.
- We recommend that any further actions are based on the evidence-based guidance provided by BCCDC.
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- We believe strongly in the importance of returning to campus-based teaching for postsecondary institutions this fall.
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Sent: August 24, 2021 12:40:18 PM PDT

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From Dr. Henry:

This is an order under the Public Health emergency not under the Emergency Programs Act like last time.

And no, not under the gatherings and events order either.

It is enforceable through bylaw and PH but as last time we do not expect to have to enforce as most people have been continuing to be considerate and wear masks in these settings.

We are also reaching out to Brian Emerson who is very involved in drafting the Orders.

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Agree that we need to see the order.

I know it will not be the same as the provincial order while the SOE was in place, but rather it could be the same mechanism as the IHA order that happened well after after the SOE was lifted. As outlined in the IN. Thanks,

#### Jordan Turner

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Jamie

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Sent: Tuesday, August 24, 2021 12:46 PM

To: Rideout, Wayne PSSG:EX <Wayne.Rideout@gov.bc.ca>; Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>

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Subject: RE: Media Request: MMF interview on mask enforcement

We've looped in with MOH as it's a PHO order, just waiting to hear back.

From: Brandt, Alissa GCPE:EX < Alissa.Brandt@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: August 24, 2021 12:25 PM

To: Paterson, Travis GCPE:EX <Travis.Paterson@gov.bc.ca>; Sanderson, Melanie PSSG:EX

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Subject: RE: Media Request: MMF interview on mask enforcement

Do we know what the answers around enforcement are?

From: Paterson, Travis GCPE:EX <Travis.Paterson@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: August 24, 2021 12:20

To: Sanderson, Melanie PSSG:EX < Melanie.Sanderson@gov.bc.ca >; Douglas, Andrew

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Subject: Media Request: MMF interview on mask enforcement

Hi there.

News 1130 seeking an interview with MMF on mask enforcement, if interested could do

anytime (10 minutes).

Thanks Travis

From: Travis Paterson < Travis.Paterson@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: August 24, 2021 12:10 PM

To: Paterson, Travis GCPE:EX < Travis. Paterson@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: PSSG Media Request: MMF interview on mask enforcement

Reporter

Paul James, Producer News 1130 s.22

604-877-4400

Deadline Tuesday, August 24, 2021 4:00 PM

### Request

Wondering if you folks are prepping any avail with Minister Farnworth on enforcement of the new mask mandate.

If not... could be grab Mike for a few minutes over the phone to talk about what this is going to mean?

10 minutes, anytime he is free

## Recommendation

## **Background**

# **RE: KMQA Vaccine Passport**

From McAndrews, Caroline GCPE:EX <Caroline.McAndrews@gov.bc.ca>

To: Sanderson, Melanie PSSG:EX <Melanie.Sanderson@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: Douglas, Andrew PSSG:EX <Andrew.Douglas@gov.bc.ca>, Maher, Melissa

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Sent: August 23, 2021 3:30:56 PM PDT

All good, have talked to Mary Sue, she mentioned in a email some KM's that had been provided to the MO, but she may mean the standard ones from the past.

From: Sanderson, Melanie PSSG:EX < Melanie. Sanderson@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: August 23, 2021 3:28 PM

To: McAndrews, Caroline GCPE:EX < Caroline.McAndrews@gov.bc.ca>

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Subject: Re: KMQA Vaccine Passport

Best check with Mary Sue but I assume no police role for enforcement.

On Aug 23, 2021, at 3:23 PM, McAndrews, Caroline GCPE:EX < <a href="mailto:Caroline.McAndrews@gov.bc.ca">Caroline.McAndrews@gov.bc.ca</a> wrote:

Hi there: do you have anything to share re enforcement?

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From: Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX < Aileen. Machell@gov.bc.ca>

**Sent:** August 23, 2021 2:11 PM

To: McAndrews, Caroline GCPE:EX < Caroline.McAndrews@gov.bc.ca >

Subject: RE: did you share KMQA

Here you go. Let me know if there are any you need help with.

From: McAndrews, Caroline GCPE:EX < <a href="mailto:Caroline.McAndrews@gov.bc.ca">Caroline.McAndrews@gov.bc.ca</a>

**Sent:** August 23, 2021 2:10 PM

To: Machell, Aileen GCPE:EX < Aileen. Machell@gov.bc.ca >

**Subject:** did you share KMQA Lots of q's coming in from branches.

Caroline McAndrews

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<Proof of Vaccine KMQA FINAL for HAs.docx>