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## Interior Health declares COVID-19 outbreak at Kamloops group home

KAMLOOPS – Interior Health has declared a COVID-19 outbreak in a Kamloops group home known as Highridge Home and Singh House, respectively.

Six staff members have tested positive for COVID-19. Public Health contact tracing has contacted anyone potentially exposed to COVID-19 and they are now self-isolating and monitoring for symptoms.

Highridge Home and Singh House are privately operated by Prima Enterprises for people who require 24-hour support. The two “houses” are located in the same building; each on a separate floor of the property.

Interior Health communicable disease specialists and a clinical operations team will continue to monitor the situation and additional infection control measures have been implemented to prevent further COVID-19 transmission.

To protect the safety of all residents, outbreak protocols are in place, including a pause in all visits at this site.

Everyone in all communities should remain vigilant in following COVID-19 precautions:

- Keep to your household bubbles and avoid social gatherings.
- Stay home when you are sick and get tested if you have any symptoms consistent with COVID-19.
- Practise physical distancing and use a mask if you cannot.
- Wash your hands often.
- Avoid non-essential travel.

### Booking a COVID-19 test:

Online: You can book an appointment online through the COVID-19 Test Booking Form:

<https://interiorhealthcovid.secureform.ca/index.php>

By phone: Call the COVID-19 Test Booking Line at 1-877-740-7747 for assistance with booking your test.

Interior Health has frequently updated COVID-19 information on our public website

[www.interiorhealth.ca](http://www.interiorhealth.ca)