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## Interior Health declares COVID-19 outbreak over at Royal Inland Hospital unit

KAMLOOPS – Interior Health has declared the COVID-19 outbreak on unit 6 South at Royal Inland Hospital (RIH) over, and the unit has fully re-opened for admissions.

In total, 10 patients and zero staff tested positive for COVID-19.

“I want to thank all of our hospital workers for their tireless efforts in identifying and containing this outbreak,” said Medical Health Officer Dr. Carol Fenton. “I really feel that the swift action and containment of this outbreak is a testament to RIH staff’s experience in COVID-19 outbreak management and also a demonstration in the effectiveness of the vaccines.”

As COVID-19 restrictions begin to lift across the province, it will remain important to follow public health guidance, including washing your hands regularly and wearing a mask if you are not fully vaccinated or if you are in a place that requires it – such as a health care setting.

### Booking a COVID-19 test

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

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

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

### COVID-19 immunization clinics

People can get their first dose by dropping in at any immunization clinic or by appointment.

To get a second dose at other clinics, please book an appointment. Invitations to book an appointment are being sent seven weeks after receiving the first dose.

Register online by visiting the provincial website at [www.getvaccinated.gov.bc.ca/](http://www.getvaccinated.gov.bc.ca/), call 1-833-838-2323, or visit a Service BC office listed [here](#), and then book an appointment.

For a list of all Interior Health COVID-19 immunization clinics and other resources visit:

<https://news.interiorhealth.ca/news/covid-19-vaccines/>

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