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Interior Health identifies increased COVID-19 activity in Revelstoke region

REVELSTOKE – Interior Health has identified increased COVID-19 activity in the Revelstoke region and reminds all residents to maintain their efforts to prevent community transmission.

There is no specific source for the new cases. It is for this reason all residents and businesses are reminded of the importance of COVID-19 testing at the first sign of symptoms in addition to keeping social bubbles small.

Last week, 22 new cases of COVID-19 were confirmed and seven new cases were confirmed the previous week. On a per capita basis, these recent case counts are higher than many areas of the province.

We encourage all residents to closely monitor their regional COVID-19 case data to maintain a sense of the COVID-19 circulation in their community here: <u>http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/data</u>

Interior Health is grateful to local elected and community leaders for their support as we work closely together to remind everyone not to stigmatize or judge others who seek testing or test positive for COVID-19.

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.

Booking a COVID-19 test:

<u>Online:</u> You can book an appointment online through the COVID-19 Test Booking Form: <u>https://interiorhealthcovid.secureform.ca/index.php</u>

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

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