

COVID – 19 UPDATE 6

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Due to the rapidly changing circumstances surrounding COVID-19 and its impact on workers, program support criteria are subject to change. Be sure to visit <u>www.unifor.org/covid19</u> to download updated versions of the fact sheets available to our members and their families



BC Centre for Disease Control

http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/covid-19-survey

COVID-19 Survey – Deadline to participate May 31st



B.C. has flattened the curve and we are preparing to carefully re-start services, the economy and our lives. Your input is important as we develop our action plans.

Your story, our future

BC COVID-19 SPEAK: Your story, our future is a population health survey to elicit citizen experience, knowledge and actions during the COVID-19 pandemic. This survey is the first of several activities that

will strengthen our pandemic response and our understanding of the impacts of COVID-19 to date (social, economic, mental wellness and community wellness).

At the end of the survey, you will be asked about participating in two important initiatives:

- A serology survey (blood testing) to help determine immunity across the population
- **Planning for future waves** in which identifying, containing and tracing are substantially strengthened through technology tools to enable integrated and coordinated information sharing

Please use the latest web browsers for optimal experience. **The survey will be open until May 31.** <u>Take the survey now</u>



Language guides are available:

- <u>Punjabi language guide</u>
- French language guide
- Farsi language guide
- Korean language guide
- <u>Arabic language guide</u>
- Spanish language guide
- Vietnamese language guide
- Traditional Chinese language guide

For help completing the survey by phone, please call 1-833-707-1900, seven days a week between 8:30 a.m. -4:30 p.m. Language interpreting services are also available for assistance with completing the survey over the phone.

Questions?

Send your questions to covid19.speak@bccdc.ca.

About the survey

- <u>The survey</u> is open to all British Columbians 18 years of age and older.
- The survey takes 10-15 minutes and can be done online on any tablet, computer or mobile device.

Help the people in your life to participate

If you know someone who may have difficulty accessing or using a computer, open the survey via the link above, give them a call, and go through all the questions, inputting their answers into the online survey on their behalf. We need your help to prepare for B.C.'s future, and every voice counts.

Protecting your privacy

Safeguards are in place to ensure your privacy. Data collected in the COVID-19 survey follows strict privacy practices under the B.C. Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. The act governs how your information is collected, who sees it and how the information is used. Read the <u>complete</u> <u>privacy statement</u>.

Is the information that I provide on the UBC Qualtrics survey tool the stored in the US?

No. Qualtrics specifically-configured the UBC instance to save all data to Canadian servers. Specifically, the survey information collected using this tool is stored in Toronto, Ontario and backed up in Montreal, Quebec.

The BCCDC website is saying it is not secure. Is my personal information at risk?

No. We take website security seriously. Visitors to our site who are reading or downloading documents will not encounter any additional security risk. The content is public, non-personalized information.

What happens after I complete the survey?

Results will be made available in the early summer. If you agreed to participate in a future phase, you will be contacted directly via email.

Help promote the survey!

Follow us on <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Facebook</u> and share info with your community.

<u>Unifor's website is constantly being updated as new information is provided. Unifor has many</u> websites to direct you to for assistance.

Resources:

Unifor COVID-19 Information and Resources: <u>https://www.unifor.org/covid19</u>

Government of Canada Outbreak Update: <u>https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection.html</u>

Government of Canada Income Supports for Workers/Individuals: https://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/economic-response-plan.html

Please also check the websites of your respective provinces for any additional provincial supports or resources that may be available to you.

BCCDC website for Health info about COVID-19: <u>www.bccdc.ca</u> British Columbia Centre for Disease Control (BCCDC) website: <u>http://covid-19.bccdc.ca/</u>

<u>Health Issues:</u> Dial 811 and follow your Provincial Protocols <u>Mental Health Issues:</u> Dial 211 or access your EAP benefits:

If you have any questions please contact your Local Union Representative.

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Follow phone directory to get to your Local Rep and if not available leave a message you will get a call back. Employment Insurance questions: Barbie Zipp Cell # 1.250.881.3515 zipp.barbie@gmail.com Gord McGrath President Local 114 mcgrath@uniforbclocals.ca Bill Gaucher Secretary Treasurer Local 114 gaucher@uniforbclocals.ca

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Other useful websites with information Federal Government Financial Support Resources:

Government of Canada COVID-19 Financial Assistance for Canadians Outside of Canada: <u>https://travel.gc.ca/assistance/emergency-info/financial-assistance/covid-19-financial-help</u>

Government of Canada Economic Plan & How to Apply for Support: <u>https://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/news/2020/03/canadas-covid-19-economic-response-plan-support-for-canadians-and-businesses.html</u>

COVID - 19 Employment and Social Development Canada Information Guide: <u>https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/corporate/notices/coronavirus.html</u>

Canada Revenue Agency COVID-19: https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/covid-19-employee-info.html

Provincial Government Financial Support Resources:

BC Preparedness Response: <u>https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/covid-19-provincial-support</u>

Income Assistance: https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/family-social-supports/income-assistance

Income Assistance Offices in the Lower Mainland: <u>https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/family-social-supports/income-assistance/access-services#lowermainland</u>

Health & Preparation Resources:

COVID-19: Being prepared: <u>https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection/being-prepared.html</u>

Government of Canada Symptoms & Treatments: <u>https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection/symptoms.html</u>

BC COVID-19 Symptom Self-Assessment

Tool: https://covid19.thrive.health/?fbclid=IwAR1NzQXV3eUgFa5bSimQ2wiRpXVRMZc1LPbgp5fUNIDFIK1Sc7yjhcc4aB

Health Link BC & 811: https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/services-and-resources/about-8-1-1

Other Useful Links:

World Health Organization Myth Busters: <u>https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public/myth-busters</u>

World Health Organization Public Advice: <u>https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public</u> Government of Canada, Community-based Measures: <u>https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-</u> <u>coronavirus-infection/health-professionals/public-health-measures-mitigate-covid-19.html</u>