

Island Health Immunization Site in Parksville Community Centre

Once again, Vancouver Island Health Authority will lease the Parksville Community Centre as a COVID immunization site. Island Health expects the vaccination clinic to open near the end of November and could operate from the Parksville Community Centre into June 2022. The vaccination clinic will serve residents of the Parksville Qualicum Beach region providing booster immunizations and vaccinations for children.

While Island Health is in the Parksville Community Centre, renovations will be completed to accommodate the new child and family centre. The Parksville Child and Family Centre will provide 91 new daycare spaces as well as programs for different age groups, family supports, outdoor recreation space and buses to facilitate daycare activities. The PCC is scheduled to open for programs in summer 2022 with full opening of the 91 licensed childcare spaces in September 2022 along with community access to the centre. BGC Central Vancouver Island is supportive of this community initiative.

The clinic will require access to onsite loading and parking space with designated parking at the Parksville Community Centre to accommodate public use of the clinic. Additional accessible parking has been added to the east side of the Parksville Community Centre building and parking for Island Health and the Parksville Civic and Technology Centre staff has been designated. Due to the expected high volume of vehicles and pedestrians using the Parksville Community Centre, no other public parking can be accommodated in this area while the clinic is active.

The City is pleased to be able to accommodate Island Health's vaccination clinic in the Parksville Community Centre.

We wish to remind residents Provincial Health Officer orders and guidelines remain in place, even when you have received the vaccine. For information on the Island Health immunization plan, please refer to <u>https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine/plan</u>

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- 1 scooter and bicycle parking
- 2 PCTC staff parking
- 3 Island Health staff parking
- 4 vaccination clinic parking
- 5 accessible parking

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