



Communicable Disease Plan

YMCA of Greater Vancouver – Summer Day Camps

Effective April 8, 2022, most of the COVID-19 related public health orders and guidance that apply to the YMCA, both as a service provider and an employer, are ending. They are being replaced with this more general Communicable Disease Plan. This guidance applies to staff, volunteers, participants, clients, families, and contractors at Summer Day Camps for all communicable diseases.

1. Everyone is to self-monitor their health
 - Please do not send a child to camp if they are experiencing new symptom(s) of illness, such as fever, vomiting, diarrhea, coughing, muscle aches, sore throat, etc. until they have been resolved in accordance with the guidance from the [BC Centre for Disease Control](#).
 - Please stay away until the child is no longer subject to any public health self-monitoring AND symptoms are resolved AND the child is feeling well.
 - Anyone who develops new symptoms of illness during the program day will be sent home.
2. Personal hygiene
 - Regular hand washing/sanitizing is encouraged for staff and children, including after using the washroom or changing a diaper, doing cleaning activities or garbage removal, after sneezing into your hand, and before and after preparing and eating food.
 - Cough/sneeze into your sleeve or a disposable tissue.
3. Cleaning
 - Cleaning of shared surfaces and equipment is recommended once a day.
4. Get vaccinated
 - Follow the BC Centre for Disease Control recommendations for protection against any disease appropriate to your age, work, or personal circumstances.
5. Face coverings/masks
 - May still be worn by choice for anyone older than 2 years of age.

Parents are not allowed to enter indoor programming space at this time.

Staff Training and Communication

Regular meetings are held with site leaders and with individual teams to discuss updated practices, hear concerns and answer questions.

Periodic emails go out from Human Resources, the CEO and the VP of Child Care services advising staff of new information.

All staff, leads, supervisors and managers have access to a Risk Management team that can answer questions, research best practices and provide in-person response to sites.

References

This plan is based on the current guidance from the BC Centre for Disease Control including “[Public Health Guidance for Camps](#)”, BC’s COVID-19 [self-assessment tool](#), and, WorkSafeBC’s guidance for workplaces, and is subject to change.

A copy of our plan is posted to www.gv.ymca.ca and at each program. Staff have been provided training on all aspects of this plan and will contribute to its ongoing improvement.