



PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING FROM BELLA COOLA HOSPITAL AND VANCOUVER COASTAL HEALTH:

While we do not at this time, have any cases of Covid-19 here in the Bella Coola Valley and while we are doing everything we can to limit the risk and protect our hospital residents and resources, we greatly appreciate our community's support and cooperation in the following critical health care matter.

Bella Coola Hospital is restricting visitors at the hospital and enforcing a **'ONE-Approved Visitor Policy' as approved by nurse/physician/hospital management for 'essential need'**-(examples include family visitor/support for a loved one approaching death, or a parent with an admitted child).

Further, please advise everyone to not come to the Bella Coola Hospital unless in need of emergent medical care – do not come to hang out, use the vending machine, use the wifi, or just to sit with a friend.

If you must come, please phone ahead of time to the medical clinic, the main hospital number, or the pharmacy. Advice or next steps will be provided to you.

You can also call 8-1-1- for healthcare advice or call an ambulance for more urgent medical support or transport.

We have strict guidelines in place to restrict visitors at the Bella Coola General Hospital. If visitors do not depart, when requested by staff, we will notify peace officers to enforce this in accordance with maintaining the orders set out by the Provincial Health Officer and Medical Health Office.

Thank you,

Bella Coola Hospital and Vancouver Coastal Health