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**ATTN:** Medical Health Officers and Branch Offices  
Public Health Nursing Administrators and Assistant Administrators  
Holders of Communicable Disease Control Manuals

**Re: Update to Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 1: Communicable Disease Control: COVID-19 Interim Guidelines**

**Please replace the following section from the Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 1: Communicable Disease Control: COVID-19 Interim Guidelines (March 16, 2022) with the COVID-19 Interim Guidelines (May 4, 2022).**

### **Updates**

The SURVEILLANCE AND REPORTING section has been updated to reflect the current COVID-19 case reporting processes. As of April 1, 2022, local public health is no longer required to directly report COVID-19 cases to BCCDC. Confirmed cases are reported to BCCDC via positive PCR results from laboratory data, which are linked to hospitalization and Vital Statistics data. For more information regarding surveillance and reporting data, go to the BCCDC [COVID-19 Data Trends](#) webpage.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Stephanie Meier, Senior Practice Leader, BCCDC (telephone: 604-707-2577 / email: [stephanie.meier@bccdc.ca](mailto:stephanie.meier@bccdc.ca)).

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