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Interior Health declares COVID-19 cluster contained in the Williams Lake area

WILLIAMS LAKE – The COVID-19 community cluster in the Cariboo-Chilcotin <u>local health area</u> has been contained.

- A final total of 421 cases were connected to this cluster.
- This includes four new cases identified since our last report on Feb. 19.
- A total of 33 COVID-19 cases remain active and in self-isolation.
- Since reporting this cluster, 388 people have recovered.

Given the decline in cases and manageable COVID-19 circulation, the Interior Health chief medical health officer considers the cluster contained.

Interior Health is thankful for the support of local First Nations Chiefs, elected officials, and community leaders as we support the community together.

Cases of COVID-19 are still occurring in the area and other communities in IH and across BC. People in all communities should remain vigilant in following COVID-19 precautions:

- Keep to your household bubbles and avoid social gatherings.
- Stay home when you are sick and get tested if you have any symptoms consistent with COVID-19.
- Practise physical distancing
- Wear a mask.
- Wash your hands often
- Avoid all non-essential travel

Booking a COVID-19 test:

<u>Online:</u> You can book an appointment online through the COVID-19 Test Booking Form: https://interiorhealthcovid.secureform.ca/index.php

By phone: Call the COVID-19 Test Booking Line at 1-877-740-7747 for assistance with booking your test.

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