

Victoria Evening Newcomers Club COVID-19 RESTART Safety Plan

Purpose of COVID-19 RESTART Safety Plan

The purpose of the [Victoria Evening Newcomers Club for Women \(VENC\)](https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/info/restart) is to welcome newcomers to Greater Victoria and to help its membership to connect with the community. The COVID-19 RESTART Safety Plan has been created to align our purpose with the current British Columbia Provincial Health Officer's (PHO) orders and requirements. By aligning our actions with the PHO's orders, we can safely allow our members and guests to once again participate in Club run Activities, Events and meetings. <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/info/restart>

Responsibilities

The VENC Executive is responsible for providing this safety plan as well as ensuring that the Club Membership is informed of the plan. The VENC Executive requests that all VENC members and their guests follow this RESTART safety plan as a condition of their membership in the Club.

Identify the Risks

Symptoms of the COVID-19 disease range from mild to severe. Symptoms can appear up to 14 days after initial exposure and include: fever, chills, cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, stuffy nose, headache, muscle aches, fatigue, and loss of appetite.

Island Health is working towards establishing herd immunity through vaccination. Until that goal is reached, we can expect the PHO orders to stay in place.

Control the Risks

Feeling Sick: Members are requested to follow the guidelines set up by the (PHO) regarding feeling sick. If you or anyone in your family feels sick you are asked to stay home and get tested immediately.

The Wearing of Masks: Members are requested to follow the guidelines set out by the PHO regarding the wearing of masks.

Limiting the Size of Groups: Some Activities and Events may be limited to less than a specific number of members who can attend. Members are requested to respect the guidelines set out by the BC Provincial Health Office regarding the number of members who can attend.

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