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Executive Director
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Good afternoon:

Re: **Enhanced COVID-19 inspections and consultations**

I would like to provide an update on how WorkSafeBC is continuing to support B.C.'s Restart Plan, following the order issued by the provincial health officer on November 07th, for the Fraser Health and Vancouver Coastal Health regions.

Beginning this week, WorkSafeBC will be conducting enhanced COVID-19 Safety Plan inspections and consultations at workplaces in these regions, prioritizing workplaces identified as the highest risk for COVID-19 transmission. We want to urge employers to stay vigilant, including revisiting their existing COVID-19 Safety Plan and updating it with the involvement of their workers as conditions change.

In particular, our prevention officers will focus on ensuring that workplace controls are effectively implemented and managed, appropriate workplace protocols are in place, and that health screening is being conducted. Our OHS consultants will supplement these inspections by assisting employers in managing COVID-19 risks at their workplace and providing additional support.

We want to ensure employer groups, labour groups, sector associations, Health and Safety Associations, and other stakeholders are engaged in this initiative, so they can support their members in managing ongoing COVID-19 safety risks in their workplace. I have attached additional information about the PHO order and our initiative, which we encourage you to share.

Please visit worksafebc.com for more information or let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Al Johnson
Head of Prevention Services