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**To: All VPD Employees - Civilian and Sworn
COVID-19 Update: May 2, 2020**

The following will provide an update on key developments and reminders for May 2, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. As the VPD's response remains fluid and adaptive, it is important that all VPD staff continue to follow the developing situation on a daily basis.

Key Updates for May 2, 2020

- New protocols have been developed to provide guidance to members following the decontamination process if they have critical evidence to safeguard or other urgent policing tasks to complete.

Operational Considerations

At this time, the VPD will not be taking the lead on any enforcement action regarding Federal, Provincial, and Municipal COVID-19 related orders. **Any enforcement action in relation to COVID-19 orders requires Car 10 approval.**

Exposure After-Action Protocols

In consultation with medical experts, new protocols have been developed to provide guidance to members immediately following the decontamination process, but prior to returning home to self-isolate.

Specifically, these new protocols **outline the steps members should take if they have critical evidence to safeguard or any other urgent policing tasks to complete** after they decontaminate. As a reminder, decontamination protocols apply following close contact exposure to COVID-19, or if the nature of contact is unclear. Accordingly, the new guidelines apply following both of these categories of contact.

These protocols will be available on VPDemerg.ca shortly and are available on the VPD's COVID-19 internet website immediately as part of the *Exposure Checklists* in the Operations Guidelines section:

[Exposure Checklists - After Action Protocol](#)

Health and Wellness

CISM/Peer Support

Members are reminded that if they require support during the COVID-19 crisis they can contact CISM/Peer Support and *Vancouver Beyond the Blue*. Information on these services and other supports and can be found on the COVID-19 intranet website and on VPDemerg.ca.

Accessing Key COVID-19 Information

From your desk:	VPD's CoVID-19 Information & Updates webpage via the Intranet http://references.sharepoint01.vpd.bc.ca/COVID19/default.aspx
From your email:	Daily Situation Reports distributed to your VPD email address
From the road:	VPD GO 2020-54066 accessible by MDT
From home or cell:	Go to VPDemerg.ca . Password: Nitro

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