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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: Interim Guidance: Public Health Management of Cases and Contacts Associated with Mpox in the Community Settings

Please replace the following section from the Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 1: Communicable Disease Control: Interim Guidance: Public Health Management of Cases and Contacts Associated with Monkeypox in the Community Settings (October 28th, 2022) with the Interim Guidance: Public Health Management of Cases and Contacts Associated with Mpox in the Community Settings (November 30, 2022)

The main changes are:

- 1. As per the World Health Organization recommendations announced on November 28, 2022, the new preferred term "mpox" will be used in place of "monkeypox".
- 2. Inter-jurisdictional notification information has been updated:
 - a. Fax number has changed to 604-707-2516
 - b. Email contact has been changed to publichealthresponsenotifications@bccdc.ca
- 3. The British Columbia Mpox Interjurisdictional Notification Form Fillable has been updated to reflect the new preferred term "mpox" and contact information has been updated.





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If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Sarra Lewis Vena, Clinical Nurse Educator, BCCDC (telephone: 604-813-6084 / email: sarra.lewisvena@bccdc.ca).

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