



## COVID NEWS

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## **WE NEED YOUR CLAIMS BEFORE APRIL 24!**

In response to the extraordinary number of sessional reimbursement claims received for attending much needed COVID-19 meetings, your VJH Physician Society has suspended the approval of claims until all FEMS claims are submitted and a thorough review conducted.

**Please continue to send in your claims before April 24th, 2020, for any COVID-19 activities you have attended. A thorough review of each claim will be conducted by the VJHPS working group to determine the distribution of funds to physicians.**



## **NEWSFLASH**

### **Free Hand Sanitizer Made From...Vodka?**

Okanagan Spirits Craft Distillery has joined forces with the VJH Physicians Society and SNO Divisions of FP to donate their locally made hand sanitizers to the physician community (for personal use only).

**Bottles are available on Friday, April 24.** [Find out where...](#)



## **NEWSFLASH**

### **Virtual Office Help Available**

Due to COVID-19, physical distancing has accelerated the need for virtual office platforms. Need help sorting out which one is right for you or how to navigate it? Our [Virtual Office Guide](#) is now online. Taryn Zabolotniuk, Yr 3 ICC student and a Doctors Technology Office Specialist Virtual Care Peer Mentor, is also ready to answer your questions. Feel free to [contact Taryn](#) for help anytime.



## **NEWSFLASH**

### **Thank You, To You, Our Heroes**

White hearts have appeared around VJH conveying messages of appreciation and support for our medical staff as part of the VJH Foundation's White Hearts Project. VJH's staff have also created **their own video** as part of this initiative.

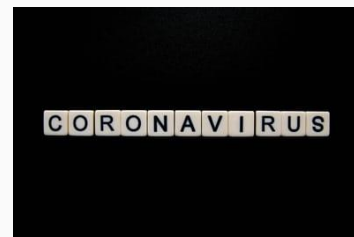


[Check out the video and read more...](#)

## **NEWSFLASH**

### **BC COVID Projects and Activities**

Feel like you are re-inventing the wheel? Want to know what other physician society COVID activities are in process? [Click here for a recent list.](#)



### **NEWSFLASH**

#### **COVID Facility Engagement Funding Best Practices**

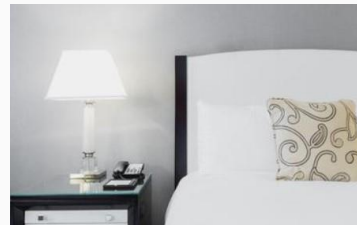
Doctors of BC has created a document to assist the VJHPS in making funding determinations about COVID-19 activities while adhering to the principles of the Facility Engagement funding guidelines. [Open the document here...](#)



### **NEWSFLASH**

#### **Temporary Accommodation for Medical Staff**

The Ministry of Health is supporting Health Authorities to provide temporary staff accommodations working in active COVID patient care or who are assigned to a key COVID response role. [Read the full memo here...](#)



### **NEWSFLASH**

#### **VJHPS Negotiated Special Hotel Rate for Any Medical Staff**

The Castle at Swan Lake Suite Hotel is offering special rates for medical staff requiring respite or for other reasons. Rates start at \$50 plus taxes per night depending on length of stay. For more information, [click here.](#)



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