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PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY FOR CLIENTS OF UNLICENSED DENTAL PRACTICE IN SURREY

SURREY – Fraser Health is issuing an advisory for individuals who have received dental treatment services from Mr. Valentyn Uvarov at 14275 - 62nd Avenue, Surrey, BC. Clients may be at risk of blood borne infections, including hepatitis [B](#), [C](#) and [HIV](#), from exposure to non-sterile materials during their treatments there.

An investigation by the College of Dental Surgeons of BC (CDSBC) found that Mr. Valentyn Uvarov was providing dental treatments at this Surrey location without a license to practice dentistry. CDSBC's investigation identified concerning infection prevention and control practices, including the potential re-use of anesthetic containers. Fraser Health believes that this may pose a risk of infectious disease transmission to clients.

Anyone who has received dental treatments from this individual is being advised by Fraser Health to follow up with their health care provider, or call 8-1-1 to address any health concerns.

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