# Empower Clinics Exceeds 3000 Tests and 750 Appointments for its Testing Solutions in Vancouver in first month of operations

# Expectations exceeded in first full month of operations while still early in cruise travel season

VANCOUVER, B.C.: June 1, 2022 – EMPOWER CLINICS INC (CSE:CBDT)(Frankfurt:8EC)(OTCQB:EPWCF) ("Empower" or the "Company") an integrated healthcare company – serving patients through medical centers and testing clinics, telemedicine platforms, a medical device company, and a high complexity medical diagnostics laboratory – announced today its COVID-19 testing solutions offered in and around Vancouver's Port of Vancouver and Canada Place has exceeded 3000 tests and confimed more than 750 pending appointments going forward in just its first full month of operation.

All of Empower's COVID-19 testing solutions are fully accredited by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia's Diagnostic Accreditation Program (DAP). All COVID-19 testing in British Columbia requires accreditation by the College's Diagnostic Accreditation Program (DAP). Empower's fully accredited COVID-19 testing solutions includes three certified sites at the Port of Vancouver, Canada Place and Fairmont Waterfront Hotel as well as a recently accredited concierge mobile service.

"Serving well over 3000 clients is an important milestone for our accredited testing solutions in Vancouver providing significant new cash flow for the company and supporting our investment thesis for this project," stated Steven McAuley, Chairman and CEO of Empower Clinics. "It reasserts the importance and investment that we've made to be a fully accredited operation as per local B.C. regulation. It also allows our entire team, clients and shareholders to find confidence in the stability, quality and potential reach of our services while we are still early in the cruise season and peak tourist season for Vancouver – with countless conferences, tour groups and events –just ahead of us."

For more than 35 years, Vancouver has been a leading homeport for cruises to Alaska and is the only homeport to offer both one-way and roundtrip itineraries through Canada's scenic Inside Passage to Alaska. Prior to the pandemic, forecasts indicated record growth in demand for cruises to Alaska, and demand is expected to remain strong in the future. The Vancouver cruise industry is a key contributor to the local economy, helping generate \$3.17 million (CAD) in direct economic activity for each ship that calls at Canada Place and \$2.2 billion (CAD) of total economic impact.

Royal Carribean – the world's second largest cruise operator - refers its clients to Empower Clinics COVID-19 testing solutions on the Frequenty Asked Questions section of their website. https://www.royalcaribbean.com/faq/questions/what-if-i-dont-find-a-pre-cruise-test-or-get-test-results-in-time.

With severals ships carrying more than 4000 people, the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority expects more than 300 cruise ship calls for the 2022 season – nearly an 8% increase from 288 calls in pre-pandemic 2019.

Passengers can visit <a href="https://www.empowerclinics.com/covid-19-testing/">https://www.empowerclinics.com/covid-19-testing/</a> to book COVID-19 testing solutions that include virtual (telehealth) or in-person Rapid Antigen / Rapid PCR (RT-Lamp) testing at a site at Fairmont Waterfront Hotel – adjacent to the port terminal at Canada Place. Pricing of solutions range from \$100 CAD to \$250 CAD per test.

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Empower is an integrated healthcare company that provides body and mind wellness for patients through its clinics, with digital and telemedicine care, a medical device company and world-class medical diagnostics laboratories. Supported by an experienced leadership team, Empower is aggressively growing its clinical and digital presence across North America. Our Health & Wellness and Diagnostics & Technology business units are positioned to positively impact the integrated health of our patients, while simultaneously providing long term value for our shareholders.

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