Ministry of Health



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TO: Saskatchewan Health Authority
Indigenous Services Canada- Saskatchewan Region
Northern Intertribal Health Authority
Saskatchewan Medical Association
College of Registered Nurses of Saskatchewan
Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals
Saskatchewan College of Paramedics
Saskatchewan College of Respiratory Therapists
Saskatchewan Association of Licensed Practical Nurses
College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan
Registered Psychiatric Nurses Association of Saskatchewan
Drug Plan and Extended Benefits Branch

Re: COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Expansion Information

Dear Colleagues:

The Government of Saskatchewan continues with booster dose expansion.

Effective **December 20, 2021** the following individuals are eligible to receive third/booster doses as noted in **Table 1**.

Table 1: Populations Eligible for Booster Doses Effective December 20, 2021

Population	Interval from dose 2 to dose 3
 18 years of age and older 	3 months

Effective **December 20, 2021** for all booster target populations the recommended interval between second doses and booster doses **is three months** instead of five months.

Those 18 years and over who have received the single primary dose of Janssen vaccine, should receive a booster dose two months after their first dose. mRNA vaccine is recommended for this dose.

Those with moderate to severe immune suppression as defined by the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/immunization/national-advisory-committee-on-immunization-naci/statement-september-10-2021-additional-dose-covid-19-vaccine-immunocompromised-following-1-2-dose-series.html#a5) who received a third dose may receive a booster dose three months or longer after their third dose. The booster dose for those with immunosuppression must be either 0.3 ml Pfizer or 0.5 ml Moderna rather than 0.25 ml Moderna.

Any travel dose (dose three or four) that was three months after second/third dose is considered a booster dose. Those who received a travel dose less than three months after second/third dose can receive one additional booster dose with Pfizer or Moderna three months after the last dose.

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