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TO: Emergency Operations Centre
Medical Health Officers
Public Health Managers
Public Health Immunization Coordinators
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

Saskatchewan Registered Nurses Association
Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals
Saskatchewan College of Paramedics
Saskatchewan Medical Association

Re: Directives to Provide Additional COVID-19 Vaccine Doses

Dear Colleagues:

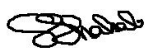
The Government of Saskatchewan is permitting residents to receive additional COVID-19 vaccine doses to complete a schedule acceptable for international travel in situations where their current completed immunization series is not approved by the country/agency/venue they intend to visit. Some countries, agencies and out of country venues require proof of vaccination with specific vaccines. The most common is requiring two doses of the same mRNA vaccine such as Pfizer or Moderna. Proof of intent to travel will not be required. Please refer to **Table 1: Third and Fourth COVID-19 Dose Recommendations**.

The National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) and the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) do not have recommendations to guide Canadian provinces and territories on the administration of a third or fourth COVID-19 vaccine dose to individuals who previously received two valid COVID-19 vaccine doses as a mixed vaccine series.

It is required that immunizers ensure that individuals review, understand and sign the *COVID-19 Vaccine Benefit/Risk Form for Individuals Requesting to Receive Additional (Third and/or Fourth) Doses* document for informed consent before they are immunized. Please save these documents as permanent records.

All COVID-19 vaccines licensed by Health Canada are safe and effective, and offer good protection against strains of the virus including the Delta variant. There is preliminary information on the safety of third COVID-19 doses. It is expected that individuals may experience mild to moderate symptoms (e.g., fever, chills, aches and pain at the injection site) after additional COVID-19 vaccine doses.

Sincerely,



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Chief Medical Health Officer



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Table 1: Third and Fourth COVID-19 Dose Recommendations

Dose 1	Dose 2	Dose 3	Dose 4
COVISHIELD	COVISHIELD	Pfizer	Pfizer
COVISHIELD	COVISHIELD	Moderna	Moderna
COVISHIELD	AstraZeneca	Pfizer	Pfizer
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Pfizer	Moderna	Moderna	
Pfizer	Moderna	Pfizer	
Moderna	Pfizer	Pfizer	
Moderna	Pfizer	Moderna	
Pfizer	AstraZeneca	Pfizer	
Pfizer	COVISHIELD	Pfizer	
Moderna	AstraZeneca	Moderna	
Moderna	COVIDSEHILD	Moderna	

Note: AstraZeneca may be given to individuals who have a contraindication to mRNA vaccines. AstraZeneca vaccine is only available from Public Health.