



March 14, 2025

TO:

Saskatchewan Health Authority
Indigenous Services Canada, SK Region
Northern Intertribal Health Authority
Saskatchewan Medical Association
Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals
Medical Health Officers

College of Registered Nurses of Saskatchewan Drug Plan and Extended Benefits Branch College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan Community Care Branch Registered Psychiatric Nurses Association of Saskatchewan

Re: COVID-19 2025 Spring Campaign: Additional Dose Eligibility and Recommendations

Dear Colleagues,

Effective **March 31 to June 14, 2025, one additional dose** of an age-appropriate COVID-19 vaccine is recommended for the following **individuals at high risk of severe COVID-19 illness and outcomes**:

- Adults 80 years of age and older.
- Adult residents of long-term care facilities, personal care homes and other congregate living settings for seniors.
- Individuals 6 months of age and older who are moderately to severely immunocompromised due to an underlying condition or treatment (refer to <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/publications/healthy-living/canadian-immunization-guide-part-4-active-vaccines/page-26-covid-19-vaccine.html#a6.4.considerations).
- Previously vaccinated adults 65 to 79 years old who are at increased risk of severe Covid 19 disease may also receive an additional dose.
- Ref: https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/publications/vaccines-immunization/national-advisory-committee-immunization-summary-guidance-covid-19-vaccines-2025-summer-2026.html

Additional notes:

- The additional dose is recommended to be given at least 2 months from an individual's last COVID-19 dose.
- June 14, 2025, is the last day that those not yet immunized with a **2024-25** COVID-19 vaccine or those who need to complete a primary series, can get immunized.
 - NOTE: The Saskatchewan Cancer Agency and the Saskatchewan Transplant Program approve that their adult transplant patients remain eligible to receive 2024-25 COVID-19 vaccine doses after June 14, 2025, from Public Health, until 2025-26 COVID-19 vaccines are available.
- Individuals who recently had COVID-19/are recovering from COVID-19 may be immunized when they are feeling better, no interval is required.

• Refer to the *Saskatchewan Immunization Manual* <u>Chapter 10</u> for age-appropriate COVID-19 vaccines and doses.

Sincerely,



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