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Re: 2023/24 COVID-19 and Influenza Immunization Program Registration is Open

Dear Health Care Provider:

## **Registration Process and Link**

In follow up to the letter sent on June 21, 2023 (https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/flu/docs/changes-toordering-delivery-model-flu.pdf), Manitoba Health is combining the COVID-19 and seasonal influenza vaccine ordering processes for the 2023/24 season. Registration is mandatory for all health care providers, including those who had previously registered for the influenza and/or COVID-19 programs.

Please complete the registration form at https://forms.office.com/r/dTEvd2ZMYY.

**IMPORTANT:** During registration, we ask that you provide an estimate of how many total doses your location anticipates ordering this fall, this is not an official order and no doses will be shipped to your location using these estimates. Please ensure that you monitor your email for order surveys in the fall.

It is recommended that all healthcare providers complete the online registration form by August 15, 2023, to ensure receipt of all communications, allow for the creation of distribution groups, and for allocation planning.

## **COVID-19 and Influenza Distribution Overview**

- The exact timing of the first order survey is not known at this time.
- Influenza and COVID-19 supply is anticipated to start arriving sometime in September with the potential to begin shipping by the end of September.
- Similar to last year, the creation of two distribution groups is being considered.
- Manitoba will continue to have Personal Care Homes, Hospitals, and First Nations Communities included within the first distribution group and those locations will be encouraged to order and administer their vaccines as soon as possible in the fall respiratory season (following provincial program guidelines).

## **Updates to Current COVID-19 Vaccine Ordering**

Please be advised that the last order survey for COVID-19 vaccines will be sent on July 21st for delivery the week of July 31st. There will be no more COVID-19 vaccine orders processed until the new combined ordering and delivery model comes into effect for the fall immunization program. If you have any questions, please contact the Communicable Disease Control Unit at 204-788-6737 or by email at vaccines@gov.mb.ca.

Sincerely,

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