# COVID-19 VACCINATION IN MANITOBA TASK FORCE UPDATE



#### MANITOBA IMMUNIZATION PLANS



#### Safety First:

Our goal is to ensure the health care system and vulnerable populations have the maximum protection possible.

#### **EXPERT ADVICE**

- Public Health Agency of Canada, National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI), manufacturers – following guidance to provide first and second doses on the clinically-advised schedule.
- We also follow NACI guidance on priority populations.

#### **VACCINE DELIVERY MODELS**

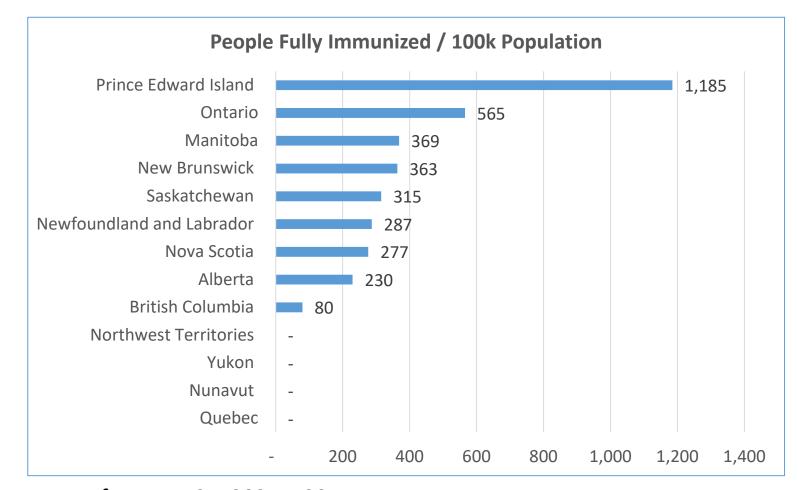
 Preparing for large-scale deliveries once vaccine scarcity is addressed.



# FOCUSED ON FULL PROTECTION: THE NATIONAL PICTURE



 Based on most recent information available, Manitoba ranks third across the country for total population fully immunized.





# COVID-19 VACCINATION IN MANITOBA WEEKLY OPERATIONAL UPDATES



#### WORKFORCE RECRUITMENT



#### DAILY OPERATIONAL SCHEDULE

January 27, 2021

**RBC CONVENTION CENTRE** 

859 Doses

48

STAFF (FTE)
25 Immunizers

**KEYSTONE CENTRE** 

**Updated with Tuesday data** 

136 Doses

11

STAFF (FTE)
4 Immunizers

FIT TEAM - Winnipeg

314 Doses

12

STAFF (FTE)
12 Immunizers

**CURRENT WORKFORCE** 

2007

STAFF (FTE)
As of Jan 25

↑156

this week

- 1059 immunizers
- 8 clinic managers
- 364 clinical leads
- 353 navigators
- 223 observers





## DELIVERY MODEL UPDATES

Manitoba's geography and demographics demands a variety of unique vaccination approaches to maximize productivity and resources.



#### Six models of vaccination

- 1. Pilot Site (Complete): The first model, a pilot site at Rady HSC provided early experience with the vaccine and our effort.
- 2. Supersites (Active): In larger urban centres, supersites allow for rapid and large-scale vaccination, for increased speed, greater efficiency and reduced risk of waste and are designed scale up rapidly as vaccine supply arrives in Manitoba.
- 3. Focused Immunization Teams (Active): FITs visit facilities like personal care homes and other congregate living facilities to deliver vaccines where people live.
- 4. First Nations (Active): Manitoba allocates doses to First Nations partners to distribute and deliver in their communities.
- 5. Immunization Hubs & Pop-up Sites (Future): These sites will reach smaller population centres in rural and Northern areas across the province. Limited launch, week of Feb. 8
- 6. **Distributed Delivery (Future)**: As vaccines become more available and distribution is stable, medical offices and pharmacies can begin to offer vaccine across the province.

## VACCINE DELIVERY MODEL UPDATES



### **SUPERSITES**

In larger centres, supersites allow for rapid and large-scale vaccination for increased speed and efficiency.

Winnipeg	Brandon	Thompson
3,719	1,351	
DOSES ADMINISTERED IN LAST WEEK	DOSES ADMINISTERED IN LAST WEEK	DOSES ADMINISTERED IN LAST WEEK
17,198	1,351	
TOTAL DOSES ADMINISTERED	TOTAL DOSES ADMINISTERED	TOTAL DOSES ADMINISTERED
818	225	
AVG. DAILY DOSES	AVG. DAILY DOSES	AVG. DAILY DOSES
68	41	
EST. DAILY STAFF (FTE)	EST. DAILY STAFF (FTE)	EST. DAILY STAFF (FTE)

### VACCINE DELIVERY MODEL UPDATES



# FOCUSED IMMUNIZATION TEAMS (FITs)

FITs visit facilities to deliver vaccines where people live.

- FITs will visit all remaining licensed personal care homes with about 4,834 residents this week.
- When done, they will have given first doses to residents at all licensed personal care homes in three weeks.
- Final stats and immunization rates will be available soon.

2,166
WEEKLY DOSES
ADMINISTERED

4,332
TOTAL DOSES
ADMINISTERED (EST.)

361 AVG. DAILY DOSES

**EST. DAILY STAFF (FTE)** 



# COVID-19 VACCINATION IN MANITOBA PRIORITY POPULATIONS & FOCUSED IMMUNIZATION TEAMS (FITs)



#### **VACCINE PRIORITIZATION**



#### NATION-WIDE GUIDANCE

- NACI makes
   recommendations for the use
   of vaccines currently or newly
   approved for use in humans in
   Canada, including the
   identification of groups at risk
   for vaccine-preventable
   diseases for whom
   vaccination should be
   targeted.
- NACI has released two stages of prioritization for COVID-19 to date.

#### MANITOBA'S CONTEXT

- NACI recommendations leave room for local interpretation.
- Manitoba adapts based on the advice of the Vaccine Medical Advisory Table.
- Manitoba will accelerate vaccination of First Nations, given heightened risk.
- Currently evaluating the definition of "essential worker" through this process.

#### **SUPPLY-BASED PROGRESS**

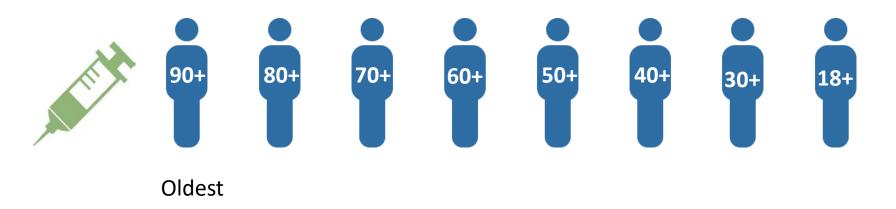
- Eligibility criteria set and appointments are booked based on these decisions.
- Advancing to the next group(s) of Manitobans is based on vaccine supplies and appointment demand.



#### VACCINE PRIORITIZATION



- Manitoba's opening assumption was that the vaccine would be prioritized based on age, due to the impact of the virus and risk.
- Without further health or epidemiological evidence, we would have delivered vaccines to Manitobans from oldest to youngest.



Youngest



## NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON IMMUNIZATION



#### STAGE 1

Determining these groups allows us to prepare for large-scale vaccine delivery once supplies are available.

To move from a purely age-based model, Manitoba follows NACI guidance.

NACI recommends that initial doses of authorized COVID-19 vaccine(s) should be offered to individuals without contraindications in the following populations:

- Residents and staff of congregate living settings that provide care for seniors.
- **Health care workers** (including all those who work in health care settings and personal support workers whose work involves direct contact with patients).
- Adults in Indigenous communities where infection can have disproportionate consequences.
- Adults 70 years of age and older, beginning with adults 80 years of age and older, then decreasing the age limit by 5-year increments to age 70 years as supply becomes available.

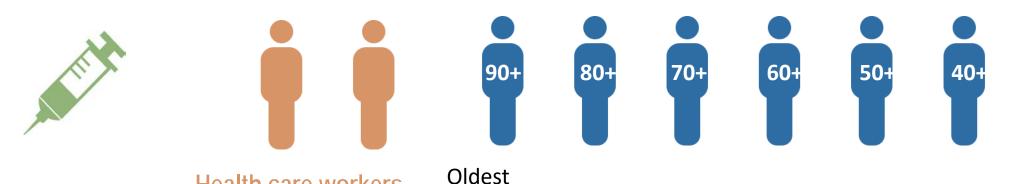


#### **VACCINE PRIORITIZATION**



Youngest

- Based on NACI Stage 1, Manitoba's public health leadership prioritized health care workers, personal
  care home residents and adults in remote First Nation or northern communities.
- This is the phase we are in now.



Health care workers,
PCH residents and older
adults in remote First Nation
or northern communities



## NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON IMMUNIZATION



#### STAGE 2

Manitoba follows the recommendations of the National Advisory
Committee on Immunization.
Determining these groups now will allow us to prepare for large-scale vaccine delivery once vaccine scarcity is addressed.

NACI recommends that as additional COVID-19 vaccine supplies become available with enough supply to vaccinate key priority populations, COVID-19 vaccine(s) should be offered to individuals in the following populations:

- Health care workers not included in the initial rollout
- Residents and staff of all other congregate settings (e.g., migrant workers, correctional facilities, homeless shelters)
- Essential workers

Based on current information, this stage of immunization is expected to begin as early as April based on supply.

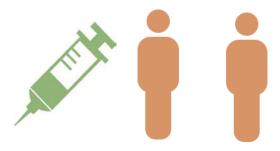
In the meantime, Manitoba will identify if or which roles or professions should be considered 'essential workers' – based on epidemiology and occupational health and safety evidence. Manitoba has also identified a higher risk for First Nations people and will accelerate their access to the vaccine.



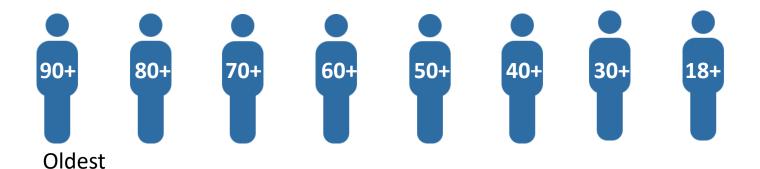
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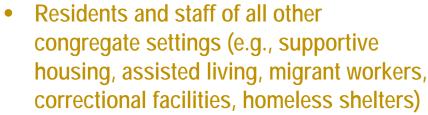
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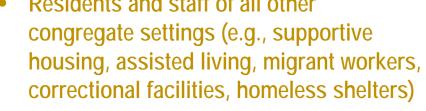


Healthcare workers, PCH residents and adults in remote **First Nation** communities



Other health care workers **FIT Prioritization** 







Youngest

## LEVERAGING FITS



## FOCUSED IMMUNIZATION TEAMS (FIT)

FITs visit facilities to deliver vaccines where people live.

Using the same evidence-based approach used to for personal care homes, Manitoba will assess the vulnerability of other congregate living sites and other populations to deploy FITs.

Facilities are prioritized based on:

- age of residents
- their health/cognitive needs
- facility set-up and ability to follow public health guidance
- income

FITs will be deployed to long-stay hospital patients and supportive housing facilities next, beginning the week of Feb. 1st.

The next priorities for FIT deployment will be corrections facilities and shelters and transitional housing.







#### MANITOBA COVID-19 VACCINATION PLAN – PRIORITY POPULATION SEQUENCING

	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4						
Healthcare Workers & Congregate Living Staff	Healthcare workers who provide direct patient care in:  Critical Care Units  Designated COVID 19 wards  Emergency Departments & Urgent Care Departments  Long-term Care Facilities  Correctional Facilities  Emergency Shelters  CLDS & CFS Group Homes  Paramedics (born before 1975)  Acute care facilities (born before 1975)  Home care (born before 1975)  Laboratory workers who handle COVID-19 specimens  Healthcare workers in designated COVID-19 testing clinics and COVID-19 immunization clinics	Healthcare workers who provide direct patient care of any age in:  Acute Care facilities Paramedics Home Care Healthcare workers over age 60 who provide direct patient care in: Primary care clinics Dental clinics Dental clinics Diagnostic Imaging Outpatient laboratories Untpatient surgical programs Elderly day programs All staff (including those without direct patient care) in: Licensed Personal Care Homes All staff over 60 (including those without direct patient care) in: Congregate living facilities	All staff (including those without direct patient care) in:  • Acute care facilities  • Primary care clinics  • Dental clinics  • Specialty physician clinics  • Diagnostic Imaging  • Outpatient labs  • Outpatient surgical programs  • Elderly day programs  • Home care  All staff in congregate living facilities	All healthcare workers who work in a health care facility						
Congregate Living Facilities Residents	Residents of licensed Personal Care Homes Residents of high-risk congregate living facilities	Residents of high and moderate risk congregate living facilities	Residents of all congregate living facilities not reached in Phase 1/2							
First Nations	The Manitoba government and First Nations will make a joint announcement about vaccine administration for First Nations people in the coming days.									
General Population		Manitobans over age 80 • Starting with Manitobans over 95 • Expanding by 1 year increments until reaching age 80	Manitobans over age 60 • Starting with over 75 • Expanding by 1 year increments	Manitobans over 18 • Starting with over 55 • Expanding by 1 year increments						
Essential workers	Essential workers may be added as additional vaccine products are approved for use in Canada.									

#### DISTRIBUTED DELIVERY



# COLLABORATING WITH DOCTORS AND PHARMACISTS

As vaccines become more available and distribution is stable, medical offices and pharmacies can begin to offer vaccine across the province.

- There are currently three vaccines in development that could be suitable for distribution through doctors and pharmacists, if approved for use.
- While similar to Manitoba's annual influenza campaign, a COVID-19 vaccine would still have more requirements, such as inventory management, realtime connection to the provincial immunization database and IT support to ensure patients get their second dose as set out by the manufacturer.
- Discussions are already underway with key stakeholder organizations (including colleges and professional associations) and more details will be provided soon.



#### VACCINE PRIORITIZATION – LOW SUPPLY SCENARIO



- This scenario estimates 70 per cent vaccine uptake among qualified Manitobans.
- This scenario does not include any vaccines that have not yet been approved.
- This timeline is dependent on vaccine supplies provided by the federal government and are based on supply projections as of Jan. 22.
- The Manitoba government and First Nations will make a joint announcement about vaccine administration for First Nations people in the coming days.

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3	Healthcare Workers – Phase 3	2021-03-02	2021-03-15	2w	<ul> <li>**</li> </ul>									
4	Healthcare Workers – Phase 4	2021-03-16	2021-03-31	2.4w										
5	Personal Care Home Residents	2021-01-11	2021-03-12	9w										
6	Other congregate living settings	2021-02-01	2021-03-31	8.6w										
7	General population 80+	2021-03-01	2021-04-30	9w										
8	General population 70-79	2021-03-15	2021-05-14	9w										
9	General population 60-69	2021-04-01	2021-06-30	13w										
10	General population 50-59	2021-05-03	2021-06-30	8.6w										
11	General population 40-49	2021-07-15	2021-09-30	11.2w										
12	General population 30-39	2021-08-03	2021-10-29	12.8w										
13	General population 18-29	2021-10-01	2021-12-31	13.2w										



#### VACCINE PRIORITIZATION – HIGH SUPPLY SCENARIO



- This scenario estimates 70% vaccine uptake among qualified Manitobans.
- This scenario includes 700,000 doses of currently unapproved product in Q3.
- This timeline is dependent on vaccine supplies provided by the Federal Government and are based on supply projections as of January 22
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# COVID-19 VACCINATION IN MANITOBA INVENTORY AND PROJECTIONS



## ADJUSTMENTS OR CHANGES THIS WEEK



#### CONTINUED SUPPLY UNCERTAINTY IS LIMITING CONTINUED ROLL-OUT

- Canada has only provided information about shipments until the week of Feb. 1
- In the week of Feb. 1, Manitoba is receiving two trays of Pfizer, not the five initially expected.
- Updates on shipments (if any) for the week of Feb. 8 will be provided on Jan. 28. Manitoba's projections will be updated accordingly

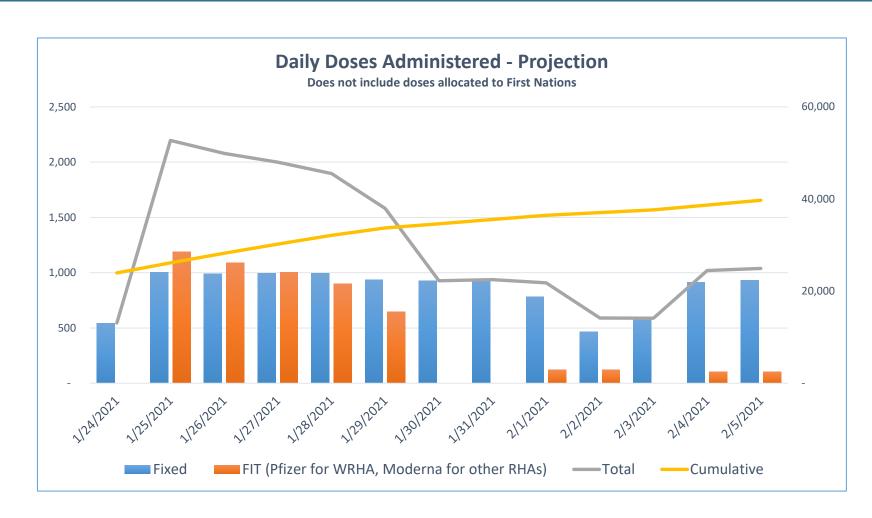
Changes to scheduled appointments may be necessary based on what we learn about the shipment in the week of Feb. 8.



#### DOSE ADMINISTRATION PROJECTION



- Based on current supply projections, we will <u>average</u>
   1,270 injections per day in January, with a peak day of 2,196 doses.
- In February, we estimate an average of 1,475 injections per day.



Projected as of January 19 and reflects supply reductions announced by Pfizer on January 15 and 19

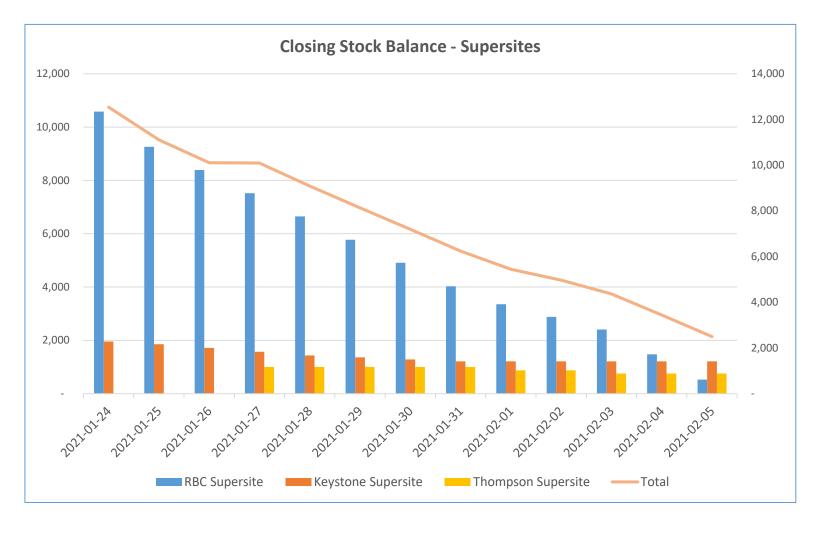


# PFIZER DOSE INVENTORY

Projected for the next 30 days

If Manitoba receives no more Pfizer doses from the federal government, we will run out of this vaccine by Feb. 7.





Projections as of January 18, 2020. Each rise in doses represents a scheduled delivery.

NOTE: Manitoba follows the guidance of the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) and vaccine manufacturers to provide first and second doses on the clinically-advised schedule.



# COVID-19 VACCINATION IN MANITOBA UPCOMING EXPANSION



#### VACCINE DELIVERY MODEL UPDATES



### **SUPERSITES**

In larger centres, supersites allow for rapid and large-scale vaccination for increased speed and efficiency, if supply is available.

- In Phase Two, two additional supersites in the Interlake-Eastern and Southern Health Sante Sud health regions will be ready to open their doors on Mar. 1. The opening day will depend on supply availability.
- Capacity in Winnipeg will also be considerably expanded by Mar. 1.
- In Phase Three, additional supersites in each health region will launch between April and July, once additional supply from the federal government becomes available.
- The determination of the exact location of the super sites will be made in consultation with the regional health authorities and communities over the coming weeks.
- Supersites will not act only as key points of administration, but also as points of distribution of supplies and vaccine to support the FITs and pop-up clinics in the surrounding areas.
- Detailed information regarding the exact locations of the supersites will be released shortly.



#### IMMUNIZATION HUBS AND POP-UP SITES



# HUBS AND POP-UP SITES

These sites can reach smaller population centres in rural and Northern areas across the province, if supply is available.

MANITOBA'S FIRST POP-UP SITES WILL LAUNCH THE WEEK OF FEB. 8 TO IMMUNIZE ELIGIBLE HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS IN FLIN FLON AND THE PAS.

Eligible workers will be contacted by their employer and will not need to make an appointment.

This approach was developed in partnership with the health region, to complement the Thompson supersite launching Feb. 1, to respond to increasing COVID-19 rates and risk in the North.

Over the coming weeks, Manitoba will begin to mobilize pop-up sites in seven additional communities. This work – identifying a facility, recruiting and training staff and other logistics – will ensure we are ready as soon as we begin to receive supply.



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