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COVID-19 vaccine: Updated Clinical Practice Guidelines now available online

Please be advised that updated **Manitoba COVID-19 Vaccine: Clinical Practice Guidelines for Immunizers and Health Care Providers** are now available at:

www.gov.mb.ca/asset_library/en/covidvaccine/clinical_practice_guidelines.pdf

Notable changes include:

- addition of a new section titled, “Clinical Practice Questions and Answers”
- updated guidance for the use of the viral vector vaccine, including information on Vaccine-induced Pro-thrombotic Immune Thrombocytopenia (VIPIT). *Please be advised that the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) released a **Rapid Reponse: Recommended use of AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine in younger adults** on March 29, 2021 available at: <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/immunization/national-advisory-committee-on-immunization-naci/rapid-response-recommended-use-astrazeneca-covid-19-vaccine-younger-adults.html>*
- addition of, Appendix A: Advisability and timing of COVID-19 vaccination in cancer/serious blood disorder patients with Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna or AstraZeneca/COVISHIELD vaccine

Please share this information with all relevant colleagues in your facility or clinic.

Sincerely,

“Original signed by”

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