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Dear Physicians:

Re: Harmonization of COVID-19 Vaccine Administrative Process

Manitoba Health is integrating COVID-19 programming into regular public health programs and processes. Accordingly, COVID-19 vaccine administrative processes are being updated and brought into alignment with all other vaccines administered in the province.

With this harmonization, the additional administrative requirements previously in place for COVID-19 vaccines are no longer necessary. Health care providers are no longer required to:

- Complete a written COVID-19 consent form for each client
- Report their inventory and wastage

All health care providers who have registered with Manitoba Health for the influenza and COVID-19 immunization program will be required to follow the requirements set out in the registration form which includes the reporting of influenza and COVID-19 doses administered within two (2) business days.

All health care providers who immunize in Manitoba are also expected to follow the *Public Funded Immunization Program Standards* and *Informed Consent Guidelines* and any other requirements set out in the Immunziation Program Manual for Immunization Providers in Manitoba at:

www.manitoba.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/div/manual/index.html

COVID-19 and Influenza vaccines resources are updated regularly and shared at:

- www.manitoba.ca/covid19/health-care-providers.html
- www.manitoba.ca/health/flu/pro.html

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

If you have any questions please email Vaccines@gov.mb.ca

Sincerely,

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