BACKGROUNDER

PROFESSIONS ELIGIBLE FOR VACCINATION MICRO-CREDENTIAL AT RED RIVER COLLEGE

These professions can administer the vaccine under their existing scope of practice but could choose to take the micro-credential course at Red River College:

- physicians,
- physician assistants,
- clinical assistants,
- nurse practitioners,
- registered nurses,
- registered psychiatric nurses,
- licensed practical nurses, and
- paramedics.

On Dec. 9, an order under the Regulated Health Professions Act (vaccination administration) expanded the regulated professions that can administer the COVID-19 vaccine under certain conditions.

These professions include:

- pharmacists;
- midwives;
- dentists:
- physiotherapists;
- lab technologists;
- veterinarians;
- veterinarian technologists;
- respiratory therapists;
- occupational therapists;
- student doctors, physician assistants, nurses, paramedics, dentists, medical laboratory technologists, occupational therapists, physiotherapists, respiratory therapists and pharmacists; and
- retired health-care professionals including those who may no longer be registered with their professional college.

Only individuals who have been hired as an immunization provider by Shared Health Manitoba can enrol in the vaccination micro-credential course.