

November 24, 2021

Good Afternoon,

As you are aware Health Canada has now approved the Pfizer-BioNTech Covid-19 vaccine (Comirnaty) for ages 5-11. In order to facilitate a seamless process and as discussed at the meeting held on November 18, 2021, WRHA Public Health has prescheduled the COVID 19 in-school immunization clinics on various dates for the months of December and January. A total of 243 schools are scheduled between December 02, 2021 and January 25, 2022.

Attached to this email is the schedule for December to help you plan and share with your staff and families. The PHN will be contacting you before the clinic date to confirm details. The January schedule will be finalized shortly and we will send this to you as soon as it is completed.

WRHA and the Province are recommending to offer pop-up clinics into the evening hours at various schools throughout the city to facilitate the parents that would like to be present with their children. Please note for the school clinics on Dec 2 and 3, 2021 these have been scheduled as pop-up clinics. The times for these pop-up clinics are as follows 1300h-1830h with the afternoon portion only immunizing children from the school and then opening up to the community/public from approx. 1530h-1830h. The remaining pop-up clinics are still to be scheduled and you will be called by the Public Health Nurse (PHN) to facilitate confirmation of this clinic.

We are preparing an information package for the parent/caregiver that includes the parent letter, consent form, and fact sheet. Once this information is ready for distribution, we will courier this information to your schools with a separate letter to the administrator that includes the date requesting the consent forms be returned back to the school. Please take note on the schedule attached is a separate column labeled consent return date for your designated school, **please communicate this date to the parent/caregiver**. A courier will be arranged to pick up the consents on that same date.

Thank you for assisting in this process to get our young children protected! If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to myself: email preferred at scamaratavares@wrha.mb.ca.

Sincerely,

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