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COVID-19 Vaccine: Register If You Have Patients with Health-Related Eligibility

ACTION REQUIRED:

If you have any patients under your care who fit the below COVID-19 vaccine eligibility, please register your practice (**not each individual patient**) at www.swpublichealth.ca/preregisteracohort.

Adults 16 years of age and older with the following highest-risk health conditions:

- Organ transplant recipients
- Hematopoietic stem cell transplant recipients
- Neurological diseases in which respiratory function may be compromised (e.g., motor neuron disease, myasthenia gravis, multiple sclerosis)
- Haematological malignancy diagnosed <1 year
- Kidney disease eGFR < 30

In addition, one (1) primary essential caregiver for each individual with an eligible highest-risk health condition is also eligible. Primary essential caregivers are individuals who provide regular and sustained assistance with personal care and/or activities of daily living.

IMPORTANT:

- Within 3-5 days after you submit a registration, you will receive an email from Southwestern Public Health that includes a **pre-populated letter** that can be confidentially sent to **all patients who fit the eligibility** under your care, outlining:
 - directions for how the eligible patient can book an appointment
 - a username and password to be used by eligible patients
 - a username and password to be used by their one (1) primary essential caregiver
- **This is currently the only way individuals who are eligible due to health condition can book a COVID-19 vaccination in our region.**

Thank you for your timely attention to registering your eligible patients.