

COVID-19 Update for CDHA Members
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Dear member,

With school back in session and the highly transmissible Omicron BA.4 and BA.5 subvariants becoming the dominant COVID-19 strains, and with the arrival of the BQ.1.1 variant, a rise in COVID-19 cases is anticipated. CDHA encourages you to stay attentive over the course of the next few months.

Approval COVID-19 bivalent vaccines targeting BA.4/BA.5

Health Canada has recently authorized two bivalent COVID-19 vaccines that target the BA.4/5 variants. The [Pfizer-BioNTech Comirnaty](#) vaccine has been authorized as a booster dose for individuals 12 years of age and older. The [Moderna Spikevax](#) COVID-19 vaccine has been authorized in individuals 18 and up. For more details, please read the announcements.

Updated guidance on COVID-19 vaccine booster doses

The National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) has provided updated guidance on the use of booster doses based on evidence of need. You can read the [full statement](#) or [summary](#) for more detailed information.

CDHA encourages you to continue to assess your personal situation and environment to determine the steps needed to protect yourself and others.

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*Please be well and take care of yourselves.
We can all do our part to protect the health of ourselves and others.*