



## **COVID-19 Update for CDHA Members** **January 28, 2021**

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Dear member,

### **Complete Results of Poll on Vaccines:**

In our January 14 update, we provided you with a quick snapshot of the results of our January 2021 poll on vaccines. [Read the full report.](#)

As previously announced, resources are being developed to ensure you have evidence-based information about vaccines to help guide you in your practice and with conversations with your clients.

### **Vaccines 101 Resources**

We invite you to explore an interactive [information sheet](#) on COVID-19 Vaccines developed by the Canadian Society of Respiratory Therapists. Scroll over each infographic element and click to find information on vaccine production, vaccine approval and regulation in Canada, currently approved vaccines, the Guidance on Key Populations for Early COVID-19 Immunization Recommendations from the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI), myths about COVID-19 vaccines and videos discussing vaccine hesitancy.

### **Importance of Indoor Ventilation**

The Government of Canada recently launched a web resource titled [COVID-19: Guidance on indoor ventilation during the pandemic](#), providing tips on how to improve indoor ventilation.

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Key messaging remains:

- Minimize the number of persons in one location at the same time.
- Maintain a physical distance of at least 2 metres.
- Use well-constructed, well-fitting masks.

A reminder for dental hygienists to continue to be vigilant with wearing masks and physical distancing throughout the office, including staff rooms, and to stagger schedules so public spaces within the office allow for physical distancing.

### **Statement for healthcare professionals**

Health Canada, in collaboration with members of the International Coalition of Medicines Regulatory Authorities (ICMRA), released a statement on [Confidence in COVID-19 vaccines for health care professionals](#). ICMRA brings together the heads of 30 medicines regulatory authorities from every region in the world, including Health Canada, with the WHO as an observer. The statement aims to inform and assist health care professionals answer questions about COVID-19 vaccines. It explains how vaccines undergo robust scientific evaluation to determine their safety, efficacy, and quality and how safety will continue to be closely monitored after approval.

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*Please be well and take care of yourselves in this difficult time.  
Everyone can do their part to slow COVID-19.*

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