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To: Medical Staff, Credentialed Medical Providers, Clinical Fellows and Resident Doctors
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Subject: Influenza Immunization and Self-Reporting for the 2026-27 Respiratory Illness Season

As we approach the respiratory illness season, we are reminding all medical staff and providers (including credentialed medical providers, clinical fellows and resident doctors), of the important role vaccination plays in protecting our patients, residents, clients, colleagues, and communities.

Influenza remains a significant cause of illness each year and can affect both personal and professional activities. Medical staff and providers as outlined above are strongly encouraged to receive the influenza vaccine as soon as it becomes available and to self-report their immunization status.

Getting Your Influenza Vaccine

Medical staff and providers may receive their influenza vaccine through:

- **VCH Staff Immunization Clinics** – appointments can be booked through one.vch.ca/flu
- **Community pharmacies** – appointments can be booked through [Get Vaccinated BC](#)
- **Primary care provider offices** that offer influenza vaccination

If attending a staff immunization clinic, please bring your BC Services Card (or combined driver's licence and BC Services Card) and Personal Health Number (PHN).

Report Your Immunization Status

After receiving your influenza vaccine, please take a few minutes to self-report your immunization status at flu.healthcarebc.ca.

This provincial reporting tool is used by health-care workers throughout British Columbia, regardless of work location.

COVID-19 Vaccination

Updated COVID-19 vaccines are also available through staff immunization clinics and participating pharmacies. Influenza and COVID-19 vaccines may be administered at the same appointment. Medical staff and providers may choose the timing of their COVID-19 vaccination based on their individual circumstances and risk factors.

Thank you for doing your part to help protect our patients, residents, clients, colleagues, and communities during the upcoming respiratory illness season.