

February 5th, 2021

COVID-19 VACCINE ROLLOUT (Second Vaccination Clinic) Information for Residents, Substitute Decision Makers (SDMs), & Essential Caregivers

We are very excited to share with you that plans are underway for residents of St. Joseph's Lifecare Centre to receive their second dose of the COVID-19 Pfizer-BioTech vaccine on February 11th, 2021. SJLCB is working closely with Brant County Health Unit to ensure a successful rollout of the second vaccination clinic.

Our first vaccination clinic went extremely well so we will be following the identical process for the second vaccination clinic.

As per our essential caregiver policy, if you are visiting a resident during the time when our vaccination clinic is in operation, you will be required to remain in the resident's room while the resident is escorted to the clinic location by one of our staff. The resident will be monitored for 15 minutes following the vaccination before being escorted back to their room.

Thank you for understanding and supporting this very important resident initiative.

Below are the answers to frequently asked questions that were provided to you before the first vaccination clinic.

We are including this information simply as a refresher.

As we move forward in our journey with COVID-19 new initiatives are being implemented to protect our residents, staff, and community. We are currently working on providing rapid antigen testing onsite. More information about this exciting initiative will come in the next couple of weeks.

ABOUT THE VACCINE

The Ministry of Health has provided detailed documentation about the vaccine, including but not limited to how the vaccine works, its benefits and side effects. You will find this information by clicking on the following links:

Ministry of Health - COVID-19 About Vaccines

Ministry of Health - Information Sheet: Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna COVID-19 Vaccines

FAQ Section

Q1: Will residents receive the vaccine on site at St. Joseph's Lifecare?

Yes. Residents who consent to the vaccine will receive the-vaccine on site.

Q2: Will Public Health be involved in the rollout of vaccines at St. Joseph's?

Yes. We have been informed that Public Health will be on site at St. Joseph's Lifecare to support administration of the vaccine to residents.

Q3: Where can I find more information about the vaccines?

The Brant County Health Unit website has wide-ranging information about the COVID-19 vaccine that will help answer additional questions you may have. <u>Click here to view.</u>

If you have questions that have not been answered in this document, please bring them forward by contacting Jodie Homenuk at <u>ihomenuk@siltc.ca</u> or leaving a message at 519-751-7096, ext 3218.

Q: What do I do if I can't open the hyperlinks?

If you are unable to open the hyperlinks from within the document, you can try copying and pasting the following links into your browser window:

Ministry link about the vaccine:

https://www.sjhcg.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/COVID-19-Pfizer-and-Moderna-About-Vaccines-V2-2020-12-30.pdf

Ministry link to information sheet on Pfizer and Moderna Vaccines: <u>https://www.sjhcg.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/COVID-19-Pfizer-and-Moderna-Vaccine-Information-Sheet-V2-2020-12-30.pdf</u>

Additional information about the vaccine: <u>https://www.bchu.org/ServicesWeProvide/InfectiousDiseases/Pages/COVID-19-Vaccines.aspx</u>

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