

# COVID-19 Vaccinations in Community Pharmacy

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# About the BCPhA

- Voluntary membership association. Represent 4,000 pharmacists, pharmacies, pharmacy students, pharmacy technicians.
- Organization representing the interests of pharmacies and pharmacists in communities throughout the province of British Columbia.
- Advocate for the profession and the business of community pharmacy in B.C. with government and other stakeholders.
- Support expanding use of pharmacist expertise in the health-care system.
- Support pharmacists and pharmacy owners in the day-to-day delivery of pharmacy services.

# About the BCPhA

- Offer Injection Certification Program for Pharmacists
- Member of BC Immunization Committee (BCIC)
- Member of several BCIC sub-committees
- Co-Chair of Pharmacists and Immunization Working Group
- Online booking software implementation and support
- Support pharmacists with immunization education and resources

# Covid-19 vaccination programs in community

- Astrazeneca vaccination campaign
- ImmsBC pilot Summer 2021
- Influenza 2021/22 campaign
- ImmsBC full deployment for boosters

# Managing Pharmacy Covid vaccination campaign

- Pharmacy enrollment and selection
- Database and ImmsBC account provisioning
- Training and Resources
- Collecting vaccine orders, managing distribution and allocations
- Communications & Reporting
- Data remediation and quality assurance

# Set up for future

- Nearly a thousand pharmacies with experience ImmsBC system
- Pharmacies integrated into a Provincial appointment booking system
- Real time data – capacity, bookings, inventory
- Established the pharmacy distributor network & distribution processes
- Demonstrated that pharmacies have the ability to ramp up capacity to take on a significant portion of a COVID vaccination campaign
- Established communication channels and resources

# Integration into Routine Immunization Program

- Continue to have pharmacy operate in a parallel to HAs
- Transition to ImmsBC to a multi-imms system
- Maintain pharmacy-distributor distribution model
- ‘Normalize’ vaccine pharmacy distribution model
- Further our understanding of underserved communities
- Support LTC pharmacy providers
- Review childhood COVID-19 immunization in pharmacy