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Date: October 29, 2021 Administrative Circular: 2021:41

ATTN: Medical Health Officers and Branch Offices

Public Health Nursing Administrators and Assistant Administrators

Holders of Communicable Disease Control Manuals

Re: Update to Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 2: Immunization, Part 4 – Biological Products

Part 4 - Biological Products

COVID-19 Vaccines

COVID-19 mRNA Vaccine COMIRNATY™ (Pfizer-BioNTech)

Per Provincial Health Officer direction, the minimum interval between completion of the primary series and the booster dose has been revised from 28 days to 8 weeks. This is reflected in the footnotes within the **Doses and Schedule** and **Booster Doses** sections.

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COVID-19 mRNA Vaccine SPIKEVAX™ (Moderna)

Per Provincial Health Officer direction, the following revisions have been made:

Doses and Schedule:

- The booster dose has been revised to 0.5 mL for all eligible individuals.
- The minimum interval between completion of the primary series and the booster dose has been revised from 28 days to 8 weeks. This is also reflected in the footnotes within the **Booster Doses** section.

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COVID-19 Vaccine VAXZEVRIA™/COVISHIELD (AstraZeneca/Verity Pharmaceuticals)

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COVID-19 Vaccine (Ad26.COV2.S [recombinant]) (Janssen Inc.)

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If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Stephanie Meier, Senior Practice Leader, BCCDC (telephone: 604-707-2577 / email: stephanie.meier@bccdc.ca).

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