

FNIHB-Alberta Region's Guidelines for the Administration of COVID-19 Vaccinations Based on Professional Designation

If you require any further information please contact your regulatory body

Registered Nurses

RNs (CHNs and HCNs) and NPs who **DO** hold a current FNIHB Immunization Provider Certificate:

- *can* provide routine COVID-19 immunizations for **all age groups** if they have the knowledge, skills, and competence to administer the vaccine and complete the mandatory requirements on the [COVID-19 Vaccine Education Checklist](#)

RNs (CHNs and HCNs) and NPs who **DO NOT** hold a current FNIHB Immunization Provider Certificate:

- *can* provide COVID-19 immunizations for eligible clients **older than 5 years of age** if they have the knowledge, skills, and competence to administer the vaccine and complete the mandatory requirements on the [COVID-19 Vaccine Education Checklist](#)

Licensed Practical Nurses

The Council of the College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Alberta (CLPNA) updated their policy "Practice and Education Requirements for Restricted Activities and Advanced Practice" effective February 1, 2020.

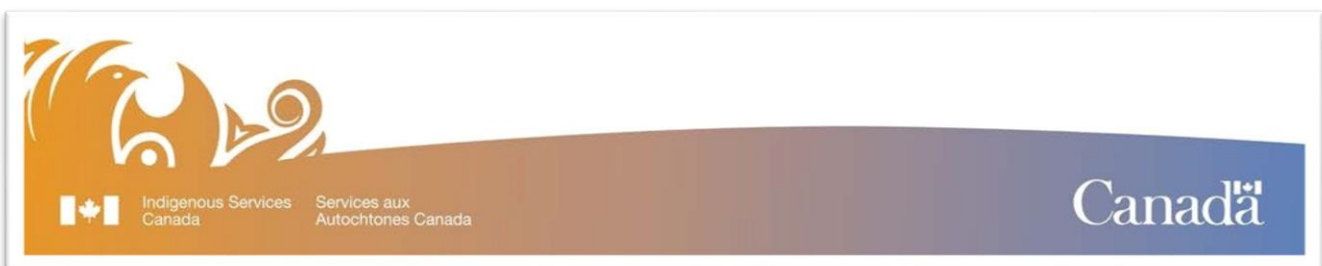
- Immunization no longer requires Registrar authorization and authorization will not be noted on the practice permit.
- Any LPN who graduates in Alberta after June 2022 will have education on administering immunizations as part of their diploma program.

Guidance for current LPNs:

- LPNs who have "Immunization Specialty" on their practice permit may continue to administer vaccines without need for further education/training.
- LPNs who do NOT have "Immunization Specialty" on their practice permit:
 - Must take additional training/education prior to administering immunizations (CLPNA website has a module on administering immunizations: available to members at no cost)
- LPNs *can* provide COVID-19 immunizations for eligible clients **older than 5 years of age** if they have the knowledge, skills, and competence to administer the vaccine and complete the mandatory requirements on the [COVID-19 Vaccine Education Checklist](#).

Paramedics

- Administering vaccines falls within Authorized Restricted Activities for PCP and ACP.
- Paramedics can provide COVID-19 immunizations for eligible clients **older than 5 years of age** if they have the knowledge, skills, and competence to administer the vaccine and complete the mandatory requirements on the [COVID-19 Vaccine Education Checklist](#).



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