

	Name of Activity: COVID-19 Vaccine Eligibility and Procedure for Non-Residents & Residents Immunized Out of Province	
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Work Standard Summary: This work standard outlines eligibility criteria and procedures for COVID-19 vaccine for individuals who:

- Do not hold a valid Saskatchewan health card but are living, working or going to school in the province.
- Are Saskatchewan residents who hold a valid Saskatchewan health card but received their COVID-19 vaccine out of province/country.

Essential Tasks:	
1.	<p>Eligibility Criteria</p> <p><u>Residents</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents who received a COVID-19 vaccine out of province and require additional doses to complete their series, are eligible to receive the appropriate COVID-19 vaccine within the recommended interval based on the current provincial guidelines. • Residents who completed a two dose series with a Health Canada authorized COVID-19 vaccine and have a valid Saskatchewan HSN or reside in Lloydminster Alberta and receive Saskatchewan immunization services, are eligible to receive a third or fourth doses for the purpose of international travel requirements. • Residents who received one or two doses of a non-Health Canada authorized COVID-19 vaccine should be offered one additional dose based on the Public Health Agency of Canada’s guidance document: https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection/guidance-documents/recommendations-those-vaccinated-with-vaccines-not-authorized-health-canada-staying-canada-live-work-study.html • Previous doses must be documented into COVID-19 Quick Entry (CQE) or Panorama. <p><u>Non-residents</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-residents will be eligible to receive COVID-19 vaccine based on the Saskatchewan COVID-19 Vaccine Delivery Phases and priority populations. • Non-residents who are staying in Saskatchewan for less than two weeks are ineligible to receive COVID-19 vaccine. • The following people staying in the province for two weeks or longer may present to a Saskatchewan Public Health immunization provider and receive the COVID-19 vaccine: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Adults and children who are Canadian residents; ○ Non-Canadian adults and children who are landed immigrants or refugees;

Essential Tasks:

- Non-Canadian residents and their children who are working and/or studying in Canada for any length of time; and
- Other non-Canadian residents or visitors who do not meet an above criterion may be assessed on a case-by-case basis prior to receiving publicly funded immunization services.
- Residents of border communities outside of the province are permitted to receive the COVID-19 vaccine as part of the Saskatchewan program.
- Individuals who started a COVID-19 vaccine series in a different jurisdiction may receive publicly funded immunization services to complete their vaccine series.
 - Individuals who plan to return to the jurisdiction where the first dose was administered within the established interval between doses, should be encouraged to complete the vaccine series in that jurisdiction.
- **Non-residents (i.e. do not have a valid Saskatchewan health service number [HSN]) are ineligible to receive a third or fourth dose for the purpose of international travel requirements.** This includes residents of border communities, except Lloydminster Alberta, and non-residents who will be staying in the province for longer than 2 weeks.
- Non-residents who received one or two doses of a **non-Health Canada authorized COVID-19 vaccine** and are planning to stay in Canada for longer periods of time (i.e. to live, work or study in Canada) should be offered one additional dose based on the Public Health Agency of Canada's guidance document: <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection/guidance-documents/recommendations-those-vaccinated-with-vaccines-not-authorized-health-canada-staying-canada-live-work-study.html>

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Procedures

Residents

- SK residents who received a COVID-19 vaccine in a different jurisdiction/country may complete their immunization series at any COVID-19 vaccine clinic.
- Valid, written documentation of COVID-19 immunization is required and must be presented prior to or at the time of immunization for individuals who started a COVID-19 vaccine series in a different jurisdiction/country to show proof of first dose, including the individual's name, vaccine product/brand, and date vaccine was administered.
 - Document must be an original or a copy of an official document from a health authority, pharmacy, or other health care provider.
 - Verbal history will not be accepted.
 - If the health care provider confirms written documentation cannot be obtained, recommendation for immunization completion will be made on a case-by-case basis in consultation with the local Medical Health Officer.
 - When written documentation is provided, it must be entered into the client's record in COVID-19 Quick Entry (CQE) or Panorama to ensure a complete immunization record.

If the vaccine product used for a previous dose is not known, or not available, attempts should be made to complete the vaccine series with the same vaccine product. Refer to the applicable Biological Product page in [Saskatchewan Immunization Manual](#) (SIM) Chapter 10 for information on product interchangeability.

Non-Residents

- Individuals without a Saskatchewan health services card can only be immunized at a Public Health immunization clinic.

Essential Tasks:

- A provincial, territorial, or federal health services card number will be requested from Canadian residents, landed immigrants and refugees prior to receiving publicly funded immunization services in Saskatchewan. Instructions on entering this information into Panorama can be found in the Panorama Gateway.
 - An absence of this information shall not be a barrier to receiving the COVID-19 vaccines at a Public Health immunization clinic, as long as they have government issued identification for proof of age for eligibility, especially when emergency circumstances are applicable to the individual's situation.
- Valid, written documentation of previous COVID-19 immunization is required and must be presented prior to or at the time of immunization for individuals who started a COVID-19 vaccine series in a different jurisdiction to show proof of first dose including the individual's name, vaccine product/brand, and date vaccine was administered.
 - Document must be an original or a copy of an official document from a health authority, pharmacy, or other health care provider.
 - Verbal history will not be accepted.
 - If the health care provider confirms written documentation cannot be obtained, recommendation for immunization completion will be made on a case-by-case basis in consultation with the local Medical Health Officer.
 - When written documentation is provided, it must be entered into the client's record in COVID-19 Quick Entry (CQE) or Panorama to ensure a complete immunization record.
 - If the vaccine product used for a previous dose is not known, or not available, attempts should be made to complete the vaccine series with the same vaccine product. Refer to the applicable Biological Product page in [Saskatchewan Immunization Manual](#) (SIM) Chapter 10 for information on product interchangeability.
- Non-residents who are eligible to apply for a Saskatchewan Health Card (HSN) should be encouraged to do so.
- Non-Canadian residents or visitors who are eligible to receive publicly funded immunizations in Saskatchewan **should sign** a health authority immunization liability waiver to protect the Public Health vaccine providers from possible legal action in the future (e.g., if an unexpected adverse event following immunization occurs).