

TCU Clients COVID-19 Immunization Information

MHC is pleased to be able to offer on-site COVID-19 immunizations to our TCU clients on Monday, January 25.

There are a number of steps in the immunization process:

First step:

Please review all the necessary information below carefully.

Read the Vaccine Factsheet

Review the adverse reaction information from Manitoba Health:

Due to the urgent public health needs relating to COVID-19, Health Canada has issued a market authorization with conditions to support early access to the COVID-19 vaccine. The approval of the vaccine is supported by evidence that it is safe and effective. However, as with other vaccines and medicines, you may experience adverse reactions or side effects.

The most common adverse reactions from the COVID-19 vaccine that have been identified so far are soreness where the vaccine was given, tiredness, headache, muscle pain, chills, joint pain and fever.

Other symptoms that may occur are swelling and redness in the arm area where the vaccine was given, nausea, enlarged lymph nodes and feeling unwell.

ADVERSE REACTIONS ARE USUALLY MILD OR MODERATE AND GO AWAY ON THEIR OWN WITHIN A FEW DAYS OF APPEARING.

All TCU clients are monitored closely by our nursing staff after receiving their immunizations.

Review the COVID-19 Immunization Consent Form

There is an enhanced consent for those clients who are considered immunosuppressed and/or have an autoimmune condition. A nurse will also explain this information if indicated for the resident.

If applicable, review the COVID-19 Immunization "Interim Enhanced" consent form

Staff are currently reviewing all clients' charts to verify the two categories of consents.

If a client or his/her Power of Attorney decides against having the immunization, a <u>Refusal of Treatment form</u> must be filled out.

Second step:

Physicians/nurse practitioners will be writing an order for every vaccine that will be given.

Third step:

Decision makers will be contacted to provide a verbal consent for the vaccination.

Fourth step:

A team of Misericordia nurses will vaccinate clients with Public Health oversight. The team will be responsible for closely monitoring the residents after the vaccine is given.

Fifth step:

A second dose will be administered approximately three weeks later by the vaccination team. If a TCU client is discharged between doses, arrangements will be made to ensure the client receives the second dose.

Questions? Please ask your unit manager for more information.

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