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To Whom It May Concern:

**Re: COVID-19 Vaccine Rollout to High Priority Health Care Workers in Toronto**

Effective March 22 hospital and Ontario Health Team (OHT) immunization clinics in Toronto are starting to offer COVID-19 vaccinations to high priority health care workers as defined in the Government of Ontario's [Guidance for Prioritizing Health Care Workers for COVID-19 Vaccination](#).

Please direct your members who live or work in Toronto and are currently eligible to receive a vaccine to visit [vaccineto.ca](http://vaccineto.ca) to book an appointment. Vaccines are offered by appointment only to people who are currently eligible.

The "high priority" group includes frontline health care workers in the following settings and sectors and their staff, including workers that are not providing direct patient care but are frequently in the patient environment:

- **Community care with lower risk of exposure and serving special populations**
  - Health care providers in developmental services, mental health and addictions services)
- **Community care with lower risk of exposure and serving general population**
  - Campus health
  - Community diagnostic imaging
  - Daycare/school nursing
  - Dietary/nutrition
  - Independent health facilities (e.g., opticians/optometry, podiatry/chiroprody, audiology, medical and surgical specialties, pedorthists, denturists, etc. . .)
  - Naturopathy
  - Holistic care
  - Social work
  - Sexual health clinics
- **Non-acute rehabilitation and therapy**
  - Chiropractic
  - Chronic pain clinics
  - Kinesiology
  - Occupational therapy
  - Physiotherapy

- Psychiatry
- Psychology
- Psychotherapy
- Registered massage therapy
- Acupuncture
- Other therapy

Please note that your members may be required to provide proof of identification and proof of employment (employee ID badge, copy of regulated health professional college number, paystub or letter from a regulated health professional confirming their employment with them) at the immunization clinic. Individuals who arrive for their appointment without proof of identification and employment may be turned away.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in making your Toronto-based members aware of the opportunity to receive a COVID-19 vaccine at this time.

Sincerely,



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