

Good Afternoon:

January 8, 2021

The **Provincial Network Vaccine Work Group** has completed a presentation containing information and education related to the Covid-19 vaccine.

We have provided information that addresses various aspects of the vaccine; including general information about the vaccine, recipients of the vaccine, post-vaccination expectations, as well as a few valuable video's and references that are applicable to all necessary stakeholders within the DS sector.

What we have not included is a reference to consents at this time. After discussion with Barbara Wallace, General Legal Counsel, Christian Horizons, we have determined that given the absence of clarity surrounding the process of obtaining consent for the Covid-19 vaccine, (from individual's who do not have the capacity to self-consent), we are not able to provide accurate, and factual educational support at this time.

We hope this information is found to be supportive and helpful in guiding education across the province.

Warm regards,

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