

## **MEMO**

**To:** COVID-19 Vaccine Providers

**From:** Dr. Janice Fitzgerald, Chief Medical Officer of Health

**Date:** June 29, 2022

Re: COVID-19 Vaccine Update for Ages 5 to 11

On June 22, 2022, the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) provided notification of an update to the COVID-19 chapter of the Canadian Immunization Guide (CIG).

Based on the expert opinion of the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI), the following recommendation has been made:

Children ages 5 to 11 can now receive COVID-19 vaccine concurrently with other vaccines (including live and non-live vaccines).

As per the provincial immunization policy, if a child is receiving more than one type of vaccine at a single visit, the vaccines should be administered at different injection sites. As limited data on concurrent administration is available, informed consent of the parent should include a discussion of the risks and benefits of receiving COVID-19 vaccine concurrently with other vaccines.

Provincial documents and resources will be updated accordingly and accessible on the <u>provincial</u> COVID-19 website.

Please visit the CIG for more information on the COVID-19 vaccine chapter.