



## Immunization: *Entering Moderna Half Dose*

**\*Please refer to the email sent on December 2, 2021 to All Pharmacies from the Vaccine Implementation Task Force:**

### **Moderna Half Dose 50mcg:**

As previously announced and communicated, where Moderna is provided for the third/booster dose, Manitoba is adopting the following NACI recommendation as it pertains to dosage:

- For adults aged  $\leq 69$  years who are living in community: use a half dose (50 mcg; 0.25ml) of Moderna for third/booster doses.
- For adults aged  $\geq 70$  years who are living in community: use a full dose (100 mcg; 0.5ml) of Moderna for third/booster dose.
- For adults of any age who are living in a personal care home or congregate elderly persons housing site: use a full dose (100 mcg; 0.5ml) of Moderna for third/booster doses.

**NOTE: there is no change to the Pfizer third/booster dosage and, the full Moderna dosage (100 mcg; 0.5ml) is to be used for the primary series (dose 1 and dose 2).**

It is important that a client's electronic immunization record identifies the correct product and dose that a person received.

### **For Providers that report/direct enter into PHIMS:**

A new Moderna/Spikevax Half dose product has been created in PHIMS that is to be used for entry into a client's record only (i.e. it will not be used to order the product from the Provincial Distribution Warehouse). The Moderna half doses need to be documented in PHIMS as per below.

- Product is to be entered as per usual, however, the **Holding Point Name AND Holding Point Location are to be removed**. This will prevent any issues with submitting the vaccine administration with no inventory for the Moderna half dose product.



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The screenshot shows the 'Add Immunization' form in PHIMS. The form is titled 'Add Immunization' and contains various fields for entering patient and vaccine information. Key fields include: Immunization Type (Provider Recorded), Date Administered (2021/11/23), Age at Administration (33 years), Consent Readiness (Missing), Reason for Immunization (Routine age-based indi...), Provider (Omega RN Jennifer), Organization (Shoppers Drug Mart (Steinbach)), Vaccine Details (Vaccine Name: Moderna COVID-19, Lot Number: 07NE21A - Exp. 2022 Mar 01, Dose: 0.25, Site: Deltoid left, Trade Name: Moderna COVID-19, Manufacturer: Moderna Therapeutics Inc.), and Service Delivery Location (Shoppers Drug Mart (Steinbach), Steinbach, Manitoba). The form also includes buttons for 'Record Consent', 'Apply', and 'Reset'.

- Please see document 'Pharmacists – Moderna Half Dose One Pager' that can be printed to provide a reminder on how to enter the Moderna half doses into PHIMS correctly.
- **Daily inventory counts should be completed on all COVID-19 vaccines and adjusted accordingly in PHIMS using the PHIMS resources available.** This will be especially important for the Moderna full dose product. This will allow for more accurate vaccine inventory management with a physical count and/or vaccine inventory adjustment made each clinic day in PHIMS on the Full Dose Vials ONLY. Inventory will continue to be tracked in full dose increments (i.e. 14 dose vial increments or 10 dose increments based on product on hand).
- Reminder: Moderna vials can only be punctured a maximum of 20 times. Moderna has posted a brief video on how to properly puncture the vial. It can be located at the following web link: <https://modernacovid19global.com/ca/>.