

# COVID-19 Vaccine Update

## Ensure registration at [getvaccinated.gov.bc.ca](https://www.getvaccinated.gov.bc.ca) for a first or second dose of COVID-19 vaccine

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More than two million doses of COVID-19 vaccine have been administered in B.C., many of them to frontline workers who are providing critical services during this pandemic. Thank you for stepping up to receive the vaccine that will help protect you, your school community, and others in our region.

Now that the provincial COVID-19 Immunization Plan has reached Phase 4, and all adults in British Columbia aged 18 and older can register and book an appointment to receive their first dose of vaccine, our vaccination program for priority frontline workers is being phased out.

**IMPORTANT: In order to book an appointment to receive a first OR second dose of COVID-19 vaccine, ensure you are registered at [www.getvaccinated.gov.bc.ca](https://www.getvaccinated.gov.bc.ca).**

### First Dose:

Registration and booking is a two-step process. Once registered, you will receive an email or text with a link to book your appointment. That notification may take several days or longer to arrive, depending on capacity in the vaccination clinics. **If you are having difficulty with registration or booking, please call 1-833-838-2323.**

### Second Dose:

If you got your first dose of vaccine:

- As a priority frontline worker before May 3
- Before the provincial booking system launched on April 6
- At a pharmacy
- At a community outreach clinic in Whistler or Squamish
- Via any program outside the provincial Get Vaccinated system

You must ensure you have registered and created a profile in the provincial booking system in order to be notified when it's time to receive your second dose. Your first dose of vaccine was recorded in the system, and now must be attached to your registration profile.

\*If you registered and booked an appointment on or after May 3 using a code for the priority frontline worker program, you are already registered in the system and no further action is required.

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Following provincial and national [recommendations](#), we are currently offering second doses of the COVID-19 vaccine 16 weeks after the first dose. Once everyone in B.C. who is eligible has been offered their first dose, the interval may be shortened.