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Subject: RE: Pharmacists and Pharmacy Technicians administering the Covid-19 vaccine

Ok thanks Jeremy. Since this would be done outside of the provincial roll out of vaccine, I foresee that Bassem and I (if needed for the roll out in ONT) would need to have a CSC medical directive signed to provide vaccinations within CSC. We could use the same one developed for nurses in the first initial roll out. Of note, this would apply to the Pharmacy Technicians as well. In their case according to the College they would need to be assessed and supervised by a pharmacist or other health professional who has the certification for injection. See below for details from the ONT College of Pharmacists.

I am cc'ing Pam on this so she is aware regarding her two Pharmacy Technicians certified to give injections

Harold

Part A pharmacists, interns or registered pharmacy students administering the COVID-19 vaccine are expected to adhere to the following expectations outlined in the OCP Guideline – Administering a Substance by Injection or Inhalation:

- Have sufficient knowledge, skill and judgment to safely and effectively administer the vaccine:
 - Successfully complete an OCP-approved injection training course
 - Register their training with the College
 - Obtain and maintain a valid certification in CPR and First Aid (the equivalent of St. John Ambulance or Red Cross Standard First Aid & CPR/AED Level C)
- Assess the patient
- Ensure informed consent to treatment from the patient or their agent has been obtained
- Follow recommended infection prevention and control procedures
- Have appropriate resources available to safely manage any adverse reactions and ensure the patient is monitored accordingly
- Document the administration of COVID-19 vaccine as required by the Ministry of Health and/or Public Health Unit

Pharmacy technicians administering the COVID-19 vaccine are expected to adhere to the following expectations outlined in the Guideline – Administering a Substance by Injection or Inhalation:

- Have sufficient knowledge, skill and judgment to safely and effectively administer the vaccine:
 - Successfully complete an OCP-approved injection training course
 - Retain a copy of their certificate as proof of completion. Development is underway to allow for registration of training with the College
 - Valid certification in CPR and First Aid is recommended but not mandated at this time as pharmacy technicians will only administer the vaccine under supervision and in a setting where other health care professionals are required to have this certification
- Ensure the patient has been assessed by a pharmacist or other regulated health professional who has the scope to perform clinical patient assessments and that vaccine administration is appropriate
- Follow recommended infection prevention and control procedures
- Ensure that there are appropriate resources available to safely manage any adverse reactions and that the patient is monitored accordingly
- Document the administration of COVID-19 vaccine as required by the Ministry of Health and/or Public Health

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Harold – I have not heard anything about a general delegation from the MOH.

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Hi Chris/Jeremy,

In checking the Ontario College of Pharmacists regulation on Pharmacist/Pharmacy Technician vaccination with the COVID-19 vaccines, it indicates that delegation of authority (from physician I assume) is required unless there is an agreement from the Minister of Health for this purpose. Just wanted to check if there was anything on this front or we assume that to involve myself or the two pharmacy technicians at the Regional Pharmacy in the vaccination roll out, it requires a delegation of authority. I volunteered to help but if the sites already have the capacity to roll out the vaccine I am ok to remain as a back up.

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Harold,

I was looking at the link below that discusses pharmacists and pharmacy technicians in Ontario and there is a specification that we can only do this for an organization that has entered into an agreement with the Minister of Health. The document later gives hospitals and public health units as examples that have agreements with the Minister of Health. I just wanted to confirm whether CSC would be considered as having an agreement with the Minister of Health to administer the Covid-19 vaccine.

On January 13, 2021, the provincial government amended *Ontario Regulation 107/9* under the *Regulated Health Professions Act (RHPA)*.

As a result of this change a **Part A pharmacist, intern, registered pharmacy student or pharmacy technician** can administer the COVID-19 vaccine, without needing delegations of authority, **under the condition** they are engaged to do so by an organization or other entity that is in an agreement with the Minister of Health (MOH) for this purpose.

The regulation is in effect until it is revoked on March 31, 2022.

Please review this guidance document in its entirety. It will be updated as more information becomes available.

<https://www.ocpinfo.com/regulations-standards/practice-policies-guidelines/administration-of-covid-19-vaccine-by-pharmacy-professionals/>