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Dear X:

**Re: Your Access Request under The Freedom of Information and Protection of  
Privacy Act – Access Request #2021-395**

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On December 7, 2021, Manitoba Justice received your request for access under *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FIPPA) for the following:

***FIPPA # 2021-395 - I am requesting copies of all advisories and memos to prisoners in correctional institutions in Manitoba to encourage vaccination and address COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy.***

One of the purposes of FIPPA is to allow any person a right to access records in custody or under the control of a public body, subject to limited and specific exceptions set out in the Act.

Please be advised that access is granted as per your request and the responsive records are enclosed.

Subsection 59(1) of FIPPA provides that you may make a complaint about our decision respecting your request for access to the Manitoba Ombudsman. You have 60 days from the receipt of this letter to make a complaint on the prescribed form to the Manitoba Ombudsman, at 750-500 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3C 3X1. Telephone (204) 982-9130 or toll-free at 1-800-665-0531.

If you have any questions please contact Ms. Carol Harrison, FIPPA Coordinator at (204) 945-2984 or by mail at 1110-405 Broadway, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3C 3L6.

Yours truly,

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Assistant Deputy Minister and  
Access and Privacy Officer

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# COVID-19 VACCINE

## COVID-19 Vaccine

### **What is a vaccine?**

A vaccine is a kind of medicine. It comes in the form of a needle or shot.

### **What does a vaccine do?**

Receiving a vaccine prevents you from getting sick.

### **Are vaccines safe?**

Yes, doctors and scientists work hard to make sure vaccines are safe. Only vaccines that are safe are approved to be used in Canada.

### **Is there a vaccine for COVID-19?**

Yes, there are a few new vaccines for COVID-19.

### **Are the COVID-19 vaccines safe?**

Yes, doctors and scientists have worked hard to make sure the COVID-19 vaccines are safe. Only vaccines that are safe are approved to be used in Canada.

### **Can I get COVID-19 from the vaccine?**

No, you can not get COVID-19 from the vaccine. The vaccine helps your body recognize and fight COVID-19.

### **Are there side effects to the COVID-19 vaccine?**

After you get the vaccine, you could have side effects. Your arm may be sore where you got the shot. You might feel tired or have a fever. This means your body is responding to the vaccine. These side effects might last for a few days.

Some people might be allergic to vaccines. They might have more serious side effects. These serious side effects are rare.

### **What if my symptoms last longer than a few days?**

There is a possibility you could have caught a virus before you got the vaccine. If your symptoms last longer than one or two days, you might be getting sick. You should self-isolate (keep away from other people) and get tested for COVID-19.

### **When can I get the vaccine?**

Inmates in corrections will be receiving the vaccine starting in the spring of 2021.

### **Do I have to keep wearing a mask and staying away from other people if I get the vaccine?**

Yes, wearing a mask and physical distancing will help keep you and others safe.

**Do I have to pay to get the vaccine?**

The vaccine is free for people in Manitoba.

**Do I have to get the vaccine?**

You get to choose if you want the COVID-19 vaccine. You do not have to have the vaccine. However, it is highly recommended.

**Where can I get the vaccine?**

Inmates can get the vaccine in their correctional facility.

**Where can I get more information about the vaccine?**

Lots of people are saying different things about the vaccine. Some information might not be right. You can talk to health-care providers to learn more about the vaccine. They will provide you with good information.

You can also visit [www.manitoba.ca/COVID19/vaccine](http://www.manitoba.ca/COVID19/vaccine) for information.