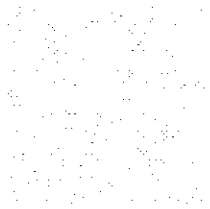


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Sent: March 2, 2021 2:49 PM
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Cc: Gaudet, Martin (HC/SC); Intranuovo, Angela (PHAC/ASPC); Fabiano Nick (NHQ-AC); Raymond, Barbara (PHAC/ASPC)
Subject: RE: Vaccination of CSC staff



Nathalie,

Thank you for the update. That is really helpful and we appreciate all the work you and your team are doing. Will an invite be sent directly to the Commissioner for tomorrow?

Jennifer

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Subject: RE: Vaccination of CSC staff

Hi all –

Just a quick update on my end. We had a quick touchpoint with the President of the Agency today about your issues and we received some positive feedback about some allocation options for the inmates and the front-facing CSC staff that are working in the congregate living setting. We will continue on the path forward to presenting different options for discussion at DM VRO Thursday evening and suggest that your Commissioner join that mtg. Marty will continue to work with Jennifer Morse but I'm also happy to meet with you at any point to discuss this as it advances.

Nathalie

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Subject: RE: Vaccination of CSC staff

Hi Jennifer –

Hoping you might have time to discuss allocation issues tonight or tomorrow? Sorry for the last minute request but any chance you have some time available? Copying Angela for scheduling based on your reply.

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Subject: Vaccination of CSC staff

Hi Jenn et al,

By means of this email, I would like to e-troduce you to Nathalie Nye and Martin Gaudet (cc'd), with whom I have been discussing your vaccination challenges for CSC staff.

They are aware of the challenges that were experienced in gaining PT collaboration to have CSC HCWs prioritized appropriately for COVID vaccine. Despite active engagement at multiple FPT tables, as of late last week, I believe only 305 of 1840 CSC HCWs had received vaccine. Hopefully this will improve somewhat given that vaccine supply should be normalizing again.

The current concern is that similar challenges are anticipated with respect to vaccinating CSC front line/essential workers in federal correctional institutions ie that despite being identified as a NACI Q2 priority group (staff and residents of congregate living settings including correctional facilities), there will be variable prioritization across PTs.

This is a source of significant concern, particularly as you are prepared to vaccinate your federal inmates in April when you receive your federal allocation of vaccine for that purpose.

I would highlight that vaccination of this particular occupational group truly is a critical undertaking, given the impact that outbreaks have had on federal correctional institutions, first in Spring 2020, and even more so since Fall 2020.

The impact of outbreaks on federal institutions goes far beyond the number of inmates and staff that are infected. The implementation of the measures necessary to bring outbreaks in congregate living settings under control is very challenging and poses significant hardship on inmates who may find themselves restricted to their cells for 23 hours per day for several weeks to months at a time.

Visitors are not permitted, activities and programs are limited. Fall with a very significant impact on mental health in an already marginalized population.

Increased rates of community transmission across Canada have seen CSC staff impacted, with significant operational challenges for federal institutions with staff away ill or required to quarantine as contacts of others who have been infected. To say that CSC staff find the burden of the public health measures, including ppe, necessary to prevent, contain, control COVID 19, onerous, is a massive understatement.

Organizationally, the challenges have been massive, and costly.

All to say, there is a very legitimate case for the prioritization of your personnel, as soon as possible, as each outbreak is a significant challenge. Add to that the current concern with variants of concern – the case becomes even more clear.

To support a solution, ideally access to vaccine such that CSC can administer vaccine to their own staff, I would ask that you and your team, work with Nathalie and Martin to ensure that the pertinent facts are communicated effectively to senior level vaccine roll out leadership.

I have provided the spread sheet with your staff numbers here. It would be good to get an update on the status of HCW vaccination as well, as that continues to be a challenge.

If I could suggest that we prepare a summary of the outbreaks experienced by CSC institutions since the beginning of the pandemic, it would clearly communicate the challenge.

Suggest number of cases for inmates/staff, hospitalizations, deaths, and importantly the duration of these outbreaks.

I'm not sure if you have additional data for the number of CSC staff who have been infected overall via community transmission, but would also be helpful.

I know that your workforce was also significantly impacted by the 699 leave issue – not sure if you have data on that ?

I also know that the financial costs have been massive – in terms of staffing, but also procurement of ppe, contracting for necessary services etc.

So, I will leave it there for now – but feel that a very legitimate case can be made for a direct allocation of vaccine to CSC to enable you to implement your own staff vaccination.

I have also signalled that you are prepared to undertake staff vaccination internally.

Happy to field questions – apologies for the long email at a late hour.

Hoping it will help us move the ball.

Have a great evening.

Barbara

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From: Clarke Ginette (NHQ)
Sent: March 9, 2021 5:25 PM
To: Clement Chris (NHQ-AC)
Subject: RE: vaccine - staff

The meeting with vanessa and Laura because some of the comments may reflect feedback we got during the initial CD development.

The discussion of your proposal might be best to have with vanessa and Laura too because the info sheet too was originally developed to meet some specific recommendations from LSU.

Ginette

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Thanks, just got off the phone with Maddi reviewing the comments from LSU on Medical Isolation memo.

They are overwhelming for sure!

We are hoping to meet with Vanessa and Laura tomorrow and pitch the following idea to LSU:

The memo was intended as a brief overview, is already 4 pages long. Can we incorporate some of the feedback in and keep it brief and at a grade 6 reading level. The reason they don't read the CD is that it is too long.

We will also develop and "Inmates Guide to Medical Isolation" that will be longer and contain detail about cleaning, showers etc.

And of course the CD is also being updated.

What do you think??

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Subject: vaccine - staff

Hi,

I had a NHSPC meeting today.

At the roundtable, a number of comments were about vaccinations for employees.

Ginette

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