Health, Seniors and Long-Term Care
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RE: Additional Updates to Hepatitis A Vaccine Outbreak Eligibility

Dear Health Care Provider,

Manitoba Health, Seniors and Long-Term Care (MHSLTC) continues to update the Hepatitis A outbreak vaccine eligibility as additional communities and settings are identified.

Hepatitis A outbreak vaccine eligibility now includes the following populations aged six months and older:

- All community members in:
  - **i. Ebb and Flow First Nation (NEW);**
  - ii. Bloodvein First Nation -effective May 2026;
  - iii. War Lake First Nation (also known as Ilford) – effective April 2026;
  - iv. Peguis First Nation - effective February 2026;
  - v. The Island Lake area (Garden Hill, St. Theresa Point, Wasagamack and Red Sucker Lake First Nations) - effective May 2025;
- Anyone travelling to or working in these communities;
- Those who have household visitors from these communities;
- **Inmates of correctional facilities (NEW);**
- **Staff and volunteers of non-healthcare community-based organizations in Winnipeg serving people experiencing homelessness (NEW)**.

Health care providers are also reminded to continue immunizing eligible individuals with **two doses** under Manitoba's existing publicly funded high-risk hepatitis A immunization program, including people experiencing homelessness.

Please note for the outbreak response, one dose is currently recommended. The first dose is highly effective and provides protection for at least a decade.

Additional outbreak information and previous communications are available at: https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/diseases/hepatitisa.html.

If you have any questions, please email vaccines@gov.mb.ca. Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Sincerely,

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