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## COVID-19 VACCINE REQUIREMENTS FOR OUR VOLUNTEERS (GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS)

The health and safety of our clients, employees, volunteers and community agency partners is extremely important, as is providing peace of mind to those individuals who are coming to our sites each day.

### Please read the current and upcoming vaccine requirements

- Effective September 1st, all volunteers at the Greater Vancouver Food Bank (GVFB) are required to have received two doses of the COVID-19 vaccine and to have sent in the proof of this to: [volunteer@foodbank.bc.ca](mailto:volunteer@foodbank.bc.ca)
- At the current time, if you are working or volunteering in healthcare or social services (to include hospitals, nursing homes, long term care facilities, medical clinics and similar work places) and have received two doses of the COVID-19 vaccine you will be able to volunteer with the GVFB.
- **If you have not received two doses of the COVID-19 vaccine, you will be unable to volunteer.**

### How to send in a copy of your immunization record card

- If you haven't already, prior to signing up for a volunteer shift you will be required to email us a copy of your COVID-19 immunization record card confirming you received two doses of the vaccine and that you are immunized against the virus.

- This needs to be received by our Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator at least 24 hours prior to you arriving on site for your shift. Please send a copy of this via email to: [volunteer@foodbank.bc.ca](mailto:volunteer@foodbank.bc.ca)

### The following vaccines are accepted:

#### Accepted COVID-19 vaccines in Canada

- ✓ Pfizer-BioNTech (Comirnaty, tozinameran, BNT162b2)
- ✓ Moderna (mRNA-1273)
- ✓ AstraZeneca/COVISHIELD (ChAdOx1-S, Vaxzevria, AZD1222)
- ✓ Janssen/Johnson & Johnson (Ad26.COV2.S)

Vaccines not currently accepted for fully vaccinated status in Canada:

- ✗ Bharat Biotech (Covaxin, BBV152 A, B, C)
- ✗ Cansino (Convidecia, Ad5-nCoV)
- ✗ Gamalaya (Sputnik V, Gam-Covid-Vac)
- ✗ Sinopharm (BBIBP-CorV, Sinopharm-Wuhan)
- ✗ Sinovac (CoronaVac, PiCoVacc)
- ✗ Vector Institute (EpiVacCorona)
- ✗ Other

- If you had Canadian approved vaccines administered outside of Canada, they are still accepted but proof of vaccination must be in English, or certified translation into English.

### Any questions?

If you have any questions about this, or due to a medical condition are unable to receive the COVID-19 vaccine, please speak to one of our staff members at your volunteer shift or contact our Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator at:

**Email:** [volunteer@foodbank.bc.ca](mailto:volunteer@foodbank.bc.ca)

**Telephone:** 604.880.7073

*Thank you for your assistance and understanding.*