

## PEMBROKE REGIONAL HOSPITAL

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**TO:** All Members of the PRH Health Care Team

**FROM:** Senior Leadership Team (SLT)

**DATE:** February 19, 2021

**SUBJECT:** COVID-19 vaccination update

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Exciting news!!! We have now been informed by the Renfrew County and District Health Unit that we will be receiving vaccine doses for everyone who works in our organization far more rapidly than was originally anticipated.

In fact, there is a strong possibility that all members of our health care team who wish to receive a COVID-19 vaccination will receive the first dose within the next few weeks!

To assist in preparations for “staff” vaccinations, we now need to have all consent forms completed and submitted as soon as possible by those who wish to receive a vaccination. This applies to everyone who works at PRH (staff, physicians, volunteers, students, EORLA staff etc.).

If you have any concerns after completing the health screening questions on the consent form, you must speak with your primary care provider or alternatively contact the Renfrew County Virtual Triage and Assessment Centre to discuss these concerns or your vaccination will be deferred.

**In particular, everyone who works with patients in the Emergency Department, the ICU and the COVID unit (Medical 2A) must have their consent forms submitted by end of day Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, as these individuals will be the first to receive the vaccine based on provincial and regional prioritization guidelines.**

COVID-19 Vaccination Consent Form  
<https://www.pemreghos.org/uploads/Common/COVID-19%20Screening%20and%20Consent%20form-Vaccine.pdf>

The consent form is also available in the COVID-19 section of Staff Resources on the Pembroke Regional Hospital website ([www.pembrokeregionalhospital.ca](http://www.pembrokeregionalhospital.ca)).

All completed forms must be returned to the Occupational Health and Safety office (located in C021, Ground Floor, Tower C). A locked dropbox is available in that location for after hours drop-offs. The document can also be scanned and sent by email to [OccHealth@prh.email](mailto:OccHealth@prh.email).

Everyone wishing to receive the vaccine who submits their consent form will be notified by email when they can complete an online booking for their vaccination appointment.

As our clinics get underway next week, if there are any doses available at the end of each clinic day these will be given to prioritized health care workers from the highest priority category who will have been asked to be on standby.

**As vaccination rollout is evolving very quickly, it is imperative that everyone monitor communication channels for the latest information. This includes your hospital email (see instructions below for accessing hospital email from home), The Pulse newsletter and The Loop Facebook group for those who are members.**

Stay tuned for more updates!

To access your hospital email from home:

1. Go to the Pembroke Regional Hospital website <https://www.pemreghos.org/>
2. Click on the Staff Resource link at the top of the page
3. Click the link to Hospital Webmail
4. Enter your User name: (P account) and password.