

1. Who is eligible in this roll out?

- a. All members living in community over the age of 18.

2. What sort of data is TFN using to determine how many qualify for the vaccine?

- a. TFN: The membership list, maintained by the Enrolment Committee.

3. How many doses will TFN get?

- a. Based on how many people in households want it, and checked against the Members List. At this time, NOT for front line workers, but members and those living in the households. In later phases of the roll out, anybody that wants a vaccine will be able to get one.

4. If there is a non-FN people living on reserve, do they get priority over TFN? Is there priority given if there are not enough doses for everyone that wants one?

- a. There are enough doses to fill your community's list, which is why your community list is essential. In later phases of the roll out, anybody that wants a vaccine will be able to get one.

5. Do we have a date and location yet?

- a. Both still in the works.

6. Is there someone to help with the I.D.?

- a. People with no I.D. can be identified by the Chief or their designate. You may also contact your band office for assistance in this.

7. How do we deal with confidentiality on the form?

- a. The consent form is shared by FHA, and arrives on site with them. The form asks a few questions about your name, address, phone number, birthdate, care card number, and do you want to self-identify as First Nations.

8. Will there be temperature checks before people get into the building?

- a. This is up to the community to decide. Some communities have done temperature checks and signs in.

9. What if you don't have your health card?

- a. Your health number can be found if we have your birth date and name. (Also note, your health card number might be on the back of recently issued driver's licenses or BC identification cards).

10. How many vaccines in one hour will they do? Is there a plan for this?

- a. Depending on how many vaccinators are on site, 6-10 people every 15 minutes. FHA and Community will plan together on ensuring safety, social distancing and cleaning between cohorts.

11. Is there enough for everyone to get their second shot? Is there a guarantee we will get the 2nd shot in a timely manner?

- a. The plan has allocated the 2nd doses, approximate 42 days or more after first dose.

12. Who does the coordination of the scheduling?

- a. The Nation will.

13. What is the source of fat in the shot?

- a. "Lipids" is the other word for 'fat'. It is NOT derived from animal sources. See ingredients for Moderna below:
Messenger ribonucleic acid (mRNA), lipids (SM-102, polyethylene glycol [PEG] 2000 dimyristoyl glycerol [DMG], cholesterol, and 1, 2-distearoyl-sn-glycero-3-phosphocholine [DSP C]), tromethamine, tromethamine hydrochloride, acetic acid, sodium acetate, and sucrose.

14. Can the vaccine be taken with another vaccine like the flu shot?

- a. This is a question best answered by your doctor or health care provider.

15. If I have symptoms of flu, can I still get the COVID shot?

- a. This is a question best answered by your doctor or health care provider.

16. Is it okay to take the vaccine if you have Epilepsy or COPD?

- a. This is a question best answered by your doctor or health care provider.
But at this time the only people exempt from the vaccine are those with anaphylactic reactions to the ingredients in the vaccine.

17. Does this vaccine protect against the new strains?

- a. Virus variants are something that vaccine developers keep in mind. According to the World Health Organization - most scientists believe that the COVID vaccine can help protect against the new variants. Scientists are still learning so much about the virus and its variants though, so it is still unclear what it will look like in the future.

18. If you have already had COVID, should you still get the COVID shot?

- a. FHA is currently NOT excluding anyone that has previously had a positive COVID test.

**Feb 4th update: Anyone who has recently tested positive for COVID-19 will be protected from the disease and should wait 12 weeks until after the testing date to be vaccinated.

Vaccine should be delayed for those who are self-isolating because they have been advised by Public Health that they have been exposed to a case or are returning from travel out of the country. All self-isolating clients should undergo a symptom check immediately prior to vaccination. The most appropriate timing and location for vaccination to minimize the potential for exposure is up to the nurse's discretion.

19. Can you still get COVID after getting the vaccine?

- a. After the second dose, the vaccine is about 95% effective.

20. What about 16 and 17 year olds, can they get the vaccine? Especially ones with health concerns?

- a. 16 & 17 year old's are not considered at risk. But reach out to your health care provider about this.

21. I heard the Pfizer vaccine can be given to 16 and 17 year olds, can we get that vaccine?

- a. Currently we are delivering Moderna vaccine only, we will notify if this changes. (Pfizer is the one that needs to be kept at -70c, so logistically unviable at this point to bring Pfizer to community).

22. How is the process of how the Health Authorities decide who gets their vaccine clinics?

- a. There is a phased approach, focusing on more remote communities, with limited access to health care, aligned with orders of the province and in collaboration with Fraser Health. Land based on reserve communities are the priority right now. In later phases of the roll out, anybody that wants a vaccine will be able to get one.

23. Why are we allowed to hang out together for 15 minutes, how can we properly keep a distance?

- a. Adequate space for the clinic will be provided, the location is yet to be determined. All chairs are spaced 6 feet apart with sanitizing happening after each sitting. FNHA will provide all PPE on site according to the direction of the community health lead and will ensure proper sanitization of the surfaces you will be in contact with, such as pens, clip boards, chairs etc.

24. Shouldn't our teachers be given priority since the children are not getting vaccinated?

- a. In this phase of the roll out, vaccines are being offered to community members over 18. In later phases of the roll out, anybody that wants a vaccine will be able to get one

25. Who will be on the contingency list?

- a. There will be a contingency list created in case of cancellations and no-shows. The people on that list will be those closest to our families, and may include teachers.

26. Can I change my mind?

- a. Yes, even if you show up at the clinic for your appointment, you do not have to be vaccinated. This is your choice, your decision. If you are not on the list, you can be asked to be put on the contingency list.

27. Is there a map showing what areas are in the Fraser Health Region?

- a. The Nation will get a map of the entire Fraser Health Authority will be included in the community notice.

28. Communication is challenging at TFN, how will our members be notified of the upcoming clinic?

- a. If there is time, the date will be posted in the newsletter. If it's very short notice, staff will call each Member on the vaccine list. It will also be posted on Facebook and Twitter.

29. How is "in community" defined?

- a. Tsawwassen Lands, Fraser Health Region, and Metro Vancouver.

****WHEN IN DOUBT, speak to your health care provider!**

(Or call one of the numbers below)

-FNHA's Doctor of the Day toll free number: **1-855-344-3800** (Medical Office Assistants are available to help, 7 days a week, 8:30am to 4:30pm)

-**8-1-1** (toll free number, operated by HealthLink BC, which is part of the Ministry of Health.)

**Answers reflect current information as of Jan 28, 2021, but please be advised the COVID situation is evolving and changes may take place.

This is NOT how FNHA would have liked the vaccine clinics to be rolled out