



COLLEGE OF
ACUPUNCTURISTS
OF ALBERTA

Notice to members - COVID-19 Vaccine: Phase 2B and 2C

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Dear members,

Alberta's COVID-19 vaccination program is underway. Alberta Health and Alberta Health Services are preparing to immunize more Albertans who may be at risk from severe outcomes from COVID-19.

Alberta continues to take a phased approach to protect those at high risk of severe illness and death from COVID-19, and those who interact with them, like health care workers and support staff.

Phase 2B and 2C of the vaccination program is expected to begin in April. Exact timing has not yet been determined and will depend on vaccine supply. Acupuncturists are encouraged to monitor the [Government of Alberta COVID-19 Vaccination website](#) regularly for vaccination program information.

Phase 2B

Albertans born 2005 to 1957 (16 to 64) with at least one of the high-risk underlying health conditions will be eligible for vaccination during this phase. The details of the qualified underlying health conditions can be found [here](#) and on the Government of Alberta COVID-19 Vaccination website.

A doctor's or pharmacist's note is not required to get the vaccine. However, acupuncturists may want to consult with their doctor or pharmacist to help them understand if their condition is on the list.

Phase 2C

Health care workers, including acupuncturists, and office staff who deliver face-to-face care for patients, or have frequent contact with Albertans who are high-risk or are COVID positive may be eligible for vaccination during this phase.

Acupuncturists eligible in Phase 2C will need to provide personal identification that contains a birth date and proof of employment or professional registration when booking or attending their appointments with Alberta Health Services or at community pharmacies.

Please visit the Government of Alberta COVID-19 Vaccination website for more information about other groups of individuals eligible for Phase 2C of the vaccination program.

After Vaccination

After vaccination, acupuncturists must still comply with all provincial public health directives and guidelines and the College of Acupuncturists of Alberta [Reopening Guidelines](#), such as rigorous hand hygiene, physical distancing, continuous masking, and isolation and quarantine requirements.

Sincerely,

College of Acupuncturists of Alberta