RCD COVID-19 Vaccine Communications Committee For Immediate Release

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Eligibility for Early Second Dose Expands

Today, Renfrew County and District Health Unit (RCDHU) is announcing that in alignment with the province, eligibility to book an early second dose appointment is as follows:

- As of **Monday**, **June 21**, **2021** at 8:00 a.m., all Ontarians who received their first dose of an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine on or before May 9, 2021 will be eligible to book or rebook their second dose appointment at a shortened interval.
- As of Monday, June 28, 2021 at 8:00 a.m., all Ontarians aged 18 and over who have received their first dose of an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine will be eligible to book their second dose appointment. Residents will be eligible to book a second dose appointment no earlier than 28 days after the first dose, per the recommended interval.

Additionally, eligibility for the COVID-19 Vaccine Weekly Extra Dose Sign-Up List is expanding to include:

• All individuals 18 years of age older.

The Extra Dose Sign-Up List allows residents to be called for last minute or same day appointments that open at various clinics across RCD. If you want your name on the list, you must sign up every Monday morning for the current week. **This Extra Dose Sign-Up List is not in place of booking an appointment and everyone should continue to book appointments as they become available.** To add your name to the Weekly Extra Dose Sign-Up List, click https://bit.ly/3wFWMVY or visit www.rcdhu.com and click on the COVID-19 Vaccine Rollout webpage and scroll down to the link for the Weekly Extra Dose Sign-Up List.

For more information on getting a second dose and interchanging vaccines, visit RCDHU's <u>Fact Sheet: Your Second Dose of COVID-19 Vaccine</u>. For all other COVID-19 inquiries, visit <u>RCDHU's website</u> or call 613-732-3629 or 1-800-267-1097.

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