

COVID-19 VACCINE UPDATE



Tla'amin Health is working closely with the First Nations Health Authority (FNHA) and Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH) to prepare for the delivery of the COVID-19 vaccination.

As of today, February 19, 2021 we are still awaiting the exact date of vaccine arrival. Please stay tuned as it is likely to arrive 2-4 days after the announcement. You will then be able to book your appointment by phone or online (instructions to follow).

At this time, we are currently calling Elders to book them in for Day 1 of the Vaccination Clinic to be held at the Salish Center.

If you are 60 years or older and would like to receive the vaccine, please contact **Janice Ashton, COVID Liaison, at Tla'amin Health Centre at 1 (604) 483-3309 ext. 115.**

Please feel free to call Janice for any other questions or concerns about the COVID-19 vaccination or reach out on the Tla'amin Facebook Page.

Urban Members: Currently, the vaccination is only available to Tla'amin members residing in Powell River; however, FNHA and VCH have confirmed, any person(s) wanting to receive the vaccination will be able to receive it within their respective health authorities (area where you live).

The following tiers explain the order of how the vaccination will be administered for persons 18+ over a 3-day clinic:

Tier 1 (Day 1 of vaccination clinic)

- **Tla'amin Elders 60+** (residing in Tla'amin village and in the qathet Regional District)
 - **Immunocompromised** (i.e. autoimmune, heart or lung diseases, transplants, and/or medications such as immunosuppressants or treatments such as radiation therapy)
 - **Essential staff** (for short call)
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Tier 2: (Day 2 of vaccination clinic)

- **Tla'amin community members (and spouses) age 59 and under** (residing in Tla'amin village and in the qathet Regional District)
 - **Non-essential staff working in the community** (for short call)
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Tier 3: (Day 3 of vaccination clinic)

- **Remaining Tla'amin members not vaccinated from Tier 1 or Tier 2.**
- **Indigenous persons who are non-Tla'amin members, living in the qathet Regional District.**

Attached is some information to help you make an informed decision about receiving the vaccine.

