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Prince Edward Island's COVID-19 Immunization program is underway.

Over the coming months, everyone living in Prince Edward Island who wants to get vaccinated against COVID-19 will have the opportunity to receive the vaccine.

What is COVID-19

COVID-19 is an infectious disease caused by a new coronavirus, and is mainly passed from an infected person to others when the infected person coughs, sneezes, sings, talks or breathes. It is important to note that infected people can spread the virus even if they have no symptoms.

How the Vaccines Work:

The COVID-19 vaccines help to protect people against the COVID-19 virus by causing our body to produce protection, such as antibodies, so our body will be ready to fight the virus.

COVID-19 Vaccine Quick Facts:

- All COVID-19 vaccines have been approved by Health Canada following a thorough scientific review.
- All approved COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective in preventing people from becoming sick or even worse, dying.
- The COVID-19 vaccines do not change your DNA.
- You cannot get COVID-19 infection from the vaccines.
- The COVID-19 vaccines do not cause infertility.
- The COVID-19 vaccines are free.

After Getting a COVID-19 Vaccine

Common side effects from the vaccine have been mild and are similar to what you would experience after receiving other vaccines (*like the flu vaccine*):

- Pain, redness or swelling at the site of injection
- Headache
- Joint pain
- Tiredness
- Muscle pain
- Chills
- Nausea
- Fever

These types of side effects are not serious to your health. They are also expected as they are an indication that the vaccine is working to produce protection. Symptoms will go away on their own within a few days.

When it's Your Turn

The vaccine program is being rolled out in phases. To find out when you will be able to make your appointment to get the vaccine, visit:

PrinceEdwardIsland.ca/VaccineRollout



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More Information About COVID-19 Vaccines:

More information about the COVID-19 vaccines being administered on Prince Edward Island is available online at:

PrinceEdwardIsland.ca/COVIDVaccine