# SCHOOL COVID VACCINE CLINIC

The Morley Community School
Nurse is offering COVID
vaccinations
(1st and 2nd dose) to all
students who are 12+

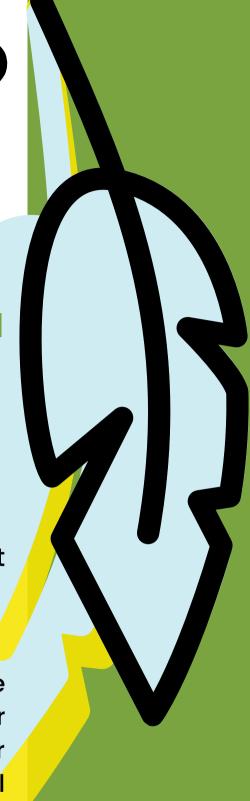
Students under 18 years of age must not be vaccinated in schools without a parent or guardian's consent.

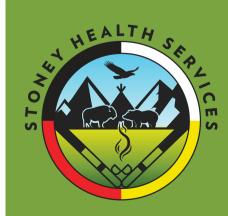
Parents and Caregivers: Please review the COVID vaccine information and consider signing the attached consent form or providing verbal consent to the school nurse directly to vaccinate your child.

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# COVID-19 VACCINES GET THE FACTS

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#### EVEN THE YOUNG AND HEALTHY SHOULD GET VACCINATED.

Anyone can get seriously ill from COVID-19 and end up in the hospital or worse. Thousands of Albertans have died, including many young, previously healthy people. Also, when the young and healthy are immunized, it keeps everyone in the community safer because the virus has fewer opportunities to spread.

#### **VACCINES ARE SAFE**

Vaccination is one of the most effective ways to protect families, communities, each other and ourselves against COVID-19. Evidence indicates that the COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective at preventing serious outcomes, such as severe illness, hospitalization and death due to COVID-19.

## ALL APPROVED VACCINES ARE RESEARCHED UNTIL PROVEN SAFE

Thanks to worldwide collaboration and resources, COVID-19 vaccines were developed quickly without compromising safety. Decades of research on these vaccine technologies were built upon. Every approved vaccine has met Health Canada's strict standards for safety, quality and effectiveness.

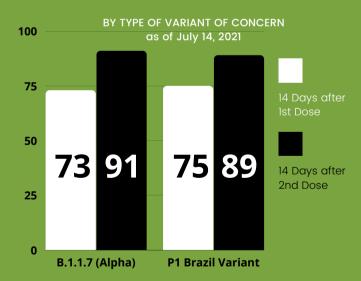
## YOU SHOULD STILL GET VACCINATED EVEN IF YOU OR A LOVED ONE HAD COVID

Early evidence suggests that immunity after infection with COVID-19 may not last very long and isn't as strong as vaccine protection. You should get vaccinated even if you've had the virus.

#### **IT TAKES TWO**

Two doses of the COVID-19 vaccine are needed for full protection. While current evidence shows good effectiveness after one dose, a second dose is essential for longer-lasting and optimal protection. Individuals are considered partially vaccinated 14 days after receiving a first dose, and fully immunized 14 days after the second dose of vaccine.

COVID-19 vaccine effectiveness against VARIANTS OF CONCERN IN ALBERTA



#### IT TAKES TIME TO BUILD IMMUNITY

Your body needs time to build its defenses – at least 2 weeks. During that time, you are not yet protected from COVID-19. Even after getting the vaccine, you need to continue following public health guidelines to prevent the spread.

Sources: Indigenous Services Canada - Alberta, Alberta Health Services

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# GETTING VACCINATED PROVIDES PROTECTION AGAINST VARIANTS OF CONCERN

Having both doses of vaccine has shown to be effective against variants of concern. The most common variant strain in Morley is P1 (delta variant), and 2 doses of vaccine will provide up to 89% protection against this strain.

There are similar rates of protection for the other variants when you have both shots, providing between 82 to 93% protection. Being immunized protects you more than not being immunized.

#### LOW VACCINATION RATES IN MORLEY

The need to increase Morley's vaccination rate is more important than ever with increasing cases of the delta variant. Delta spreads easily and may lead to more serious outcomes. In order to protect ourselves and our community, we need to be fully vaccinated.

Vaccines give us a high level of protection from serious illness and death from COVID-19 variants, including Delta. The more people are vaccinated, the less opportunity the virus has to spread and develop new variants.

# Now is not the time to relax. It's critical to keep following public health guidelines.

Protect your loved ones, Elders and each other by following all public health measures and get vaccinated.

## COVID-19 OUTCOMES FOR FIRST NATIONS IN ALBERTA

4,950 COVID-19 cases with immunization history reveal how well the COVID vaccines work.

Data: January 1 - July 6, 2021.



97.5% COVID-19 cases were unvaccinated (4826/4950) or were diagnosed within two weeks after receiving the first dose.



97.3% of COVID-19 hospitalizations were unvaccinated (287/295) or diagnosed within two weeks after receiving one dose.



97.6% of COVID-19 deaths were unvaccinated (40/41) or happened within two weeks after receiving 1

Vaccinations in Morley are very low in comparison to the province and other First Nations.

- ONLY 63.9% of Nation members with ONE DOSE of the vaccine.
- ONLY 46.6% of Nation members with TWO DOSES of vaccine 46.6%. Goal 80%

# Morley COVID Vaccination Rates (as of August 2021)

