

The Weekly COVax Dose

WDG Public Health’s weekly update on all things COVaxON

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Purpose: To share information that will improve the COVaxON experience for WDG COVID-19 vaccine clinic staff and community partners.

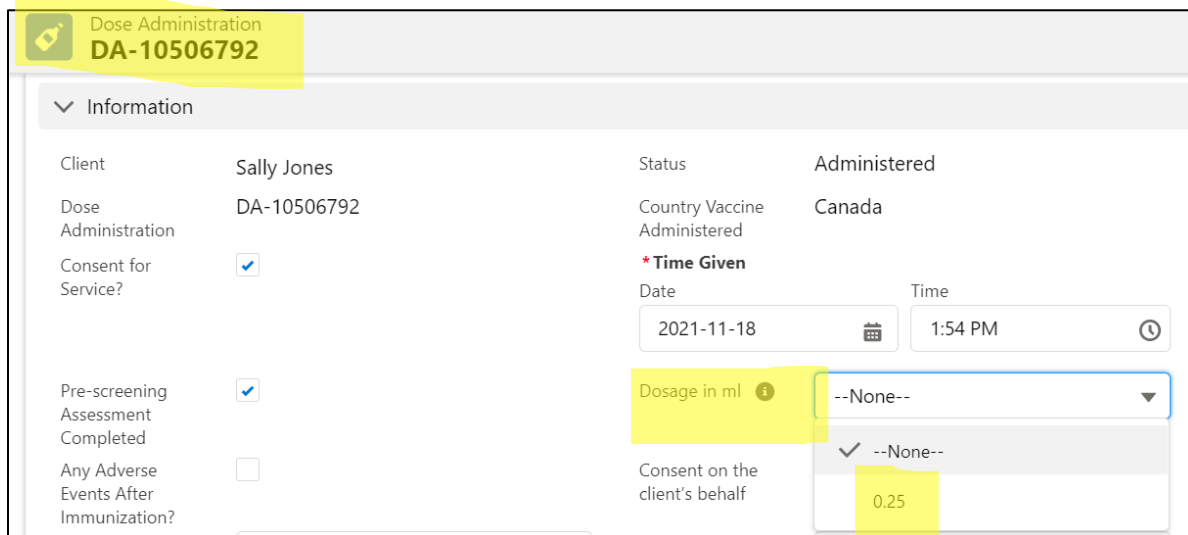
Important Updates and Information

Moderna Booster Doses – Half Doses

Please refer to the November 4th Physicians Advisory (attached) for clinical guidance on which clients should receive a half dose of Moderna.

Immunizers:

When administering a half dose (0.25mL) of Moderna to a client, their Dose Administration record (DA Record) must be updated to reflect this. A short training video demonstrating this process can be found [here](#).



The screenshot shows a digital form for a Dose Administration Record (DA-10506792). The form is titled "Dose Administration DA-10506792" and has a dropdown menu for "Information". The form contains the following fields and values:

Client	Sally Jones	Status	Administered
Dose Administration	DA-10506792	Country Vaccine Administered	Canada
Consent for Service?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	* Time Given	
Pre-screening Assessment Completed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Date	2021-11-18
Any Adverse Events After Immunization?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Time	1:54 PM
		Dosage in ml	--None--
		Consent on the client's behalf	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> --None--
			0.25

All half doses of Moderna that are administered **must** be communicated to the inventory team by the end of the day. This can be done via the Vaccine Usage Form (attached).

As per the November 17th release of COVaxON 12.1, dose volume is no longer on paper receipts or any proof of immunizations.

Privacy in COVax and Occupational Vaccine Policies

As more community partners expand to use COVax within their organizations, please remember COVax is a provincial database containing personal health information (PHI) and should only be used as allowed by the COVax User Agreement and in compliance with PHIPA.

This is a reminder that that accessing PHI on employees and volunteers to determine compliance with occupational vaccine policies at your organization does not fall within Circle of Care. Absent of direct consent from the employee or volunteer, it would be a breach of provincial privacy law to use COVax as a lookup tool to determine the vaccination status of employees or volunteers within your organization.

If organizations need to know the vaccination status of their staff or volunteers, they should do one or both of the following:

- Ask/require staff to submit proof of vaccination
- Collect and store explicit consent from staff to look up their vaccination status in COVax

Re-Activating COVax Accounts

COVax accounts are deactivated if users have not signed in within 30 days.

- Sign in periodically to keep your account active.
- If your account deactivates, please email [Madison Fach](#) or the [COVax Data Team](#) at least 1-2 days before you require access.
- COVax updates happen frequently. Up-to-date training materials can be accessed [here](#) as needed.

Training Material

All up-to-date COVax training material can be found at the following link:

[COVax Training Dropbox](#)

COVax Support Contacts

Ministry Help Desk

Support Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. 7 days a week.

Email: COVaxonsupport@ontario.ca

Phone: (416) 637-8672 or 1-866-333-0640

WDGPH COVax Support Line

Support Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday

Email: covaxdatateam@wdgpublichealth.ca

Phone: 1-800-265-7293 ext. 4202