## **Provincial Partner Oversight Team News**

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# Why Staff Immunization Is Important

Both staff and residents in congregate care facilities can be at high-risk for respiratory illness.

Staff and residents can become very ill from respiratory infections, especially if they have pre-existing medical conditions.

Due to the close proximity of their work, facility staff can transmit respiratory infections to residents as well as bring illness home to their families.

### **Checking Supplies**

Check your Personal Protective equipment (PPE) supplies, for example, gloves, masks, face shields and your COVID-19 and Influenza testing equipment. All of these items have expiry dates and should be replaced once expired.



#### At A Glance

#### Did You Know?

Both Moderna and Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines have unique storage and handling requirements compared to influenza vaccines. Check your fridge now for any expired vaccine. Read the COVID-19 biological pages for more information or email Congregatelivingimmsupport@ahs.ca.

#### **Share Your Success!**

What has your facility done to improve access to Influenza and COVID-19 immunizations?

Do you have any tips to share? We would love to hear your ideas. Let us know at

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