

COVID-19: BEGINNING OF THE VACCINATION ON THE NORTH SHORE

Baie-Comeau, December 22nd, 2020 – The Centre intégré de santé et de services sociaux (CISSS) de la Côte-Nord announces that vaccination against COVID-19 will begin on December 23rd at the Sept-Îles CHSLD. In the next few days, the residents, along with all the employees in the facility and the physicians who work there, will receive their first dose.

If any doses are left, they will be administered to other health care workers in facilities of the Sept-Rivières RCM, such as employees of the Port-Cartier CHSLD and the physicians who work there.

The people concerned will be contacted by the CISSS de la Côte-Nord, or they already were, to schedule their appointment to be vaccinated.

This vaccine, made by BioNtech/Pfizer, requires two doses to be administered around 21 days apart. It is considered safe because it went through all the necessary steps before being approved by Health Canada. Among other things, it was the object of several high-quality trials on a large number of people.

We are expecting to receive more vaccine doses in the next few weeks, which will allow us to vaccinate people elsewhere in the region and to vaccinate different populations. As the vaccines will be available gradually, we are currently unable to specify the number of doses we will receive, the targeted populations and the next vaccination locations.

You can find more information about COVID-19 vaccination on quebec.ca.

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