

This memo has been reviewed and adjusted to reflect Southern Health-Santé Sud protocols and policies.

## MEMO

**Date:** June 11, 2021

**To:** All Health Care Workers  
Leadership Teams, Service Delivery Organizations  
Occupational Health Services & Designate, Service Delivery Organizations

**From:** **Dr. Brent Roussin**  
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**Re:** **Update – Screening of Fully Vaccinated Health Care Workers Post Travel Within Canada**

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With recent updates to Public Health Orders, a new exception to the requirement to self-isolate when entering Manitoba from another area within Canada has been established for fully vaccinated individuals.

This exception requires the following criteria to be met:

- Fully vaccinated individuals are those who have received both COVID-19 doses, and for whom a minimum of 14 days have passed since the second dose;
- Fully vaccinated individuals are required to access and retain proof of their vaccination status. Manitobans are able to find and print their vaccine records through the Shared Health Online Results Portal <https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/test-results/>. A new immunization card is available for application at <https://immunizationcard.manitoba.ca/>.
- This exception applies only to individuals entering Manitoba from elsewhere in Canada. Individuals entering Manitoba from outside Canada must follow all requirements related to quarantine and self-isolation.

Occupational and Environmental Safety and Health (OESH) and designates have discussed the application of this exception for staff and physicians returning to Manitoba following travel within Canada.

Please note the following for fully vaccinated health care workers who plan to travel:

- Health care workers and all Manitobans continue to be **strongly discouraged** from travelling;
- Health care workers who choose to travel should **not travel** until at least 14 days have passed from when they received the second dose of COVID-19 vaccine;

- Health care workers should access and retain proof of full vaccination prior to travel;
- Upon return to Manitoba, fully vaccinated health care workers must continue to self-screen using existing screening tools;
- Fully vaccinated health care workers who have travelled within Canada and who are eligible for this exemption must pass self-screening for symptoms and exposures. Health care workers who meet all of these criteria are **not required** to contact their site Infection Prevention & Control Practitioner or designate for screening prior to returning to work.
- Fully vaccinated health care workers who have travelled within Canada and who are eligible for this exemption but who do not pass self-screening for symptoms and exposures **must** continue to be screened and **must** be cleared before returning to work. Health care workers are required to contact their site Infection Prevention & Control Practitioner or designate during regular business hours. Community and administrative program staff should call 204-332-0176 during regular business hours. On weekends & stats, staff should call Provincial Occupational Health Covid-19 screening at 1-888-203-4066.