

# **COVID-19 Vaccine:**

## What people with cancer need to know

#### **Should I get the COVID-19 vaccine?**

- People with cancer may be at a higher risk of getting sick from COVID-19.
- When you are offered a COVID-19 vaccine, we recommend you get it.
- While you are waiting for a vaccine, and after you get the vaccine, you should continue to follow all Public Health safety guidelines.



#### Can I get the vaccine if I am having treatment for cancer?

- Experts believe the COVID-19 vaccines being used in B.C. are safe for people with cancer, people having cancer treatment or people recovering from cancer.
- When you are having cancer treatment, your body may not be able to fight infection as well as it should. The COVID-19 vaccines being used in B.C. should still be safe for you.
- You may need to time your vaccine around your treatment or medication. When you are offered the vaccine, go to the COVID-19 BC Cancer webpage for more information.

  If you still have questions, please talk to your care provider at your next visit.

  This may be a nurse, family doctor, oncologist, hematologist, or radiation therapist.

### When can I get the COVID-19 vaccine?

- B.C.'s COVID-19 Immunization Plan has started and may look different depending on where you live.
- Depending on your health condition, you may get the vaccine before your age group.

For more information, go to bccancer.bc.ca/covid19

You can also visit bccdc.ca/covid19vaccine

To see B.C.'s COVID-19 Immunization Plan, visit gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine